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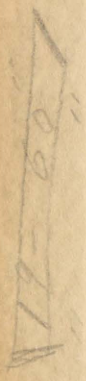

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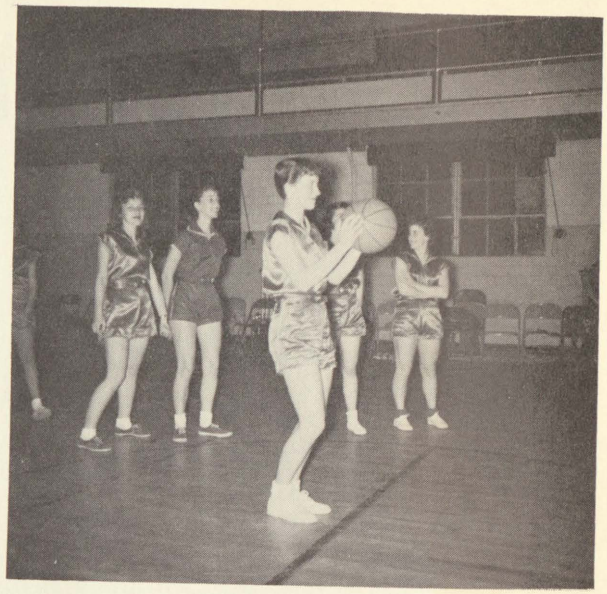
Foreword

This is THE 57 ST. CHARLES UNION HIGH SCHOOL STORY; which we the staff, are writing for the pleasure and, we hope, profit of our schoolmates in order that it may be used to refresh their memories of the year's good times--- of basketball practice in the Gym.



. . . . of the trip by the physics class to Bay City where for the first time at Mercy Hospital we learned about blood typing, disease detection through the use of radium and cancer detection.

. . . . of the first snow ball fun at Christmas time when we were ready to take the buses home at the end of the day.

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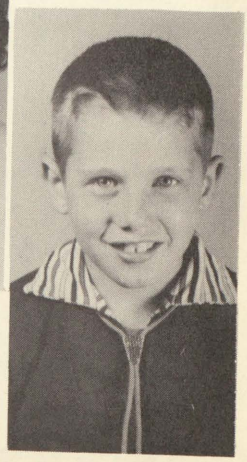
His wife
Eleanor

Our Superintendent, Myron H. Reyher

His daughter
Lynn



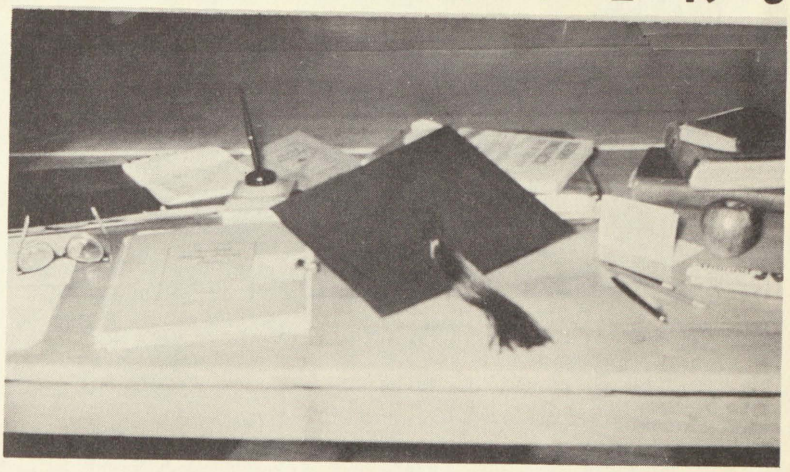
His son
Robert

We Dedicate

The Union of '57 is dedicated to our Superintendent, Myron H. Reyher. We wish to show in this way our appreciation for his ever-lasting efforts to guide us. He has bestowed upon us a strong abiding affection that stands the strain of our mistakes.

Above all, we appreciate his understanding, his kindness, and the fact that we can depend upon his friendship.

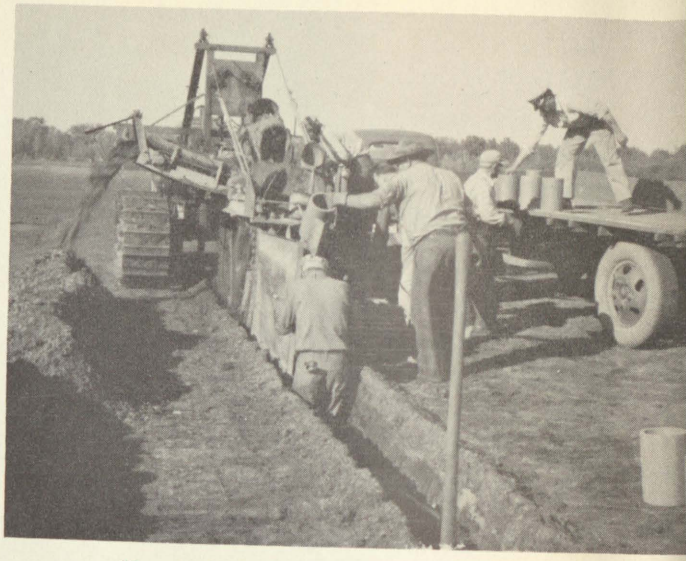
CHARACTERS



Board of Education

Our Union High School Building with it's gabled roof, it's wide chimneys--no longer used--it's bell tower, and it's main gable with the stone enscribed "Union School A.D. 1884" is quite impossible to photograph since it is now almost completely surrounded by the new Mina J. Miller Elementary School.

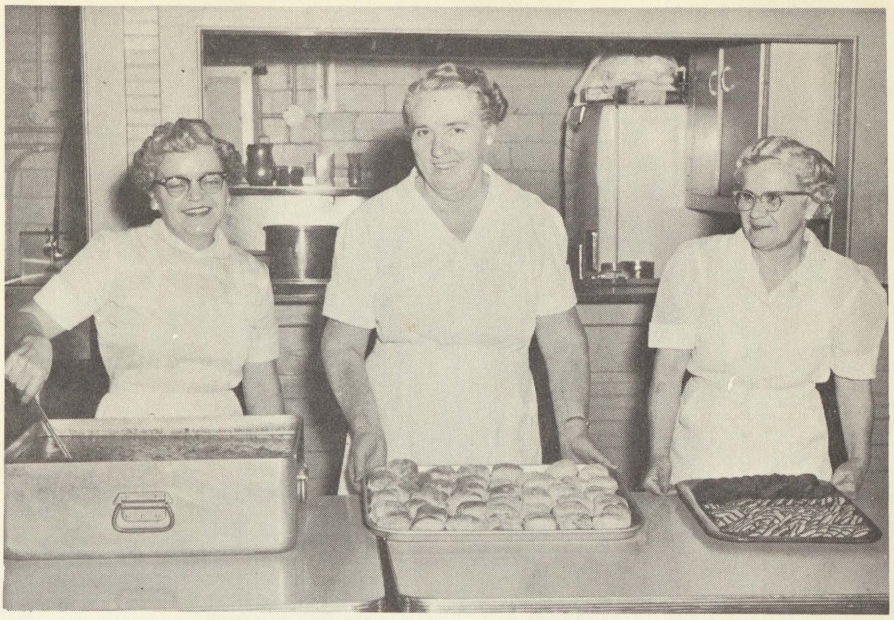
Our hoped-for new high school on the 50-acre site Northwest of the village is progressing nicely in the planning stage. Superintendant Reyher, the School Board, and various citizen committees are studying plans, visiting high schools, and consulting engineers and building contractors. The athletic field is tiled and graded. Light fittings on poles and aluminum-based bleachers are all there; and the field will be ready for practice in September.



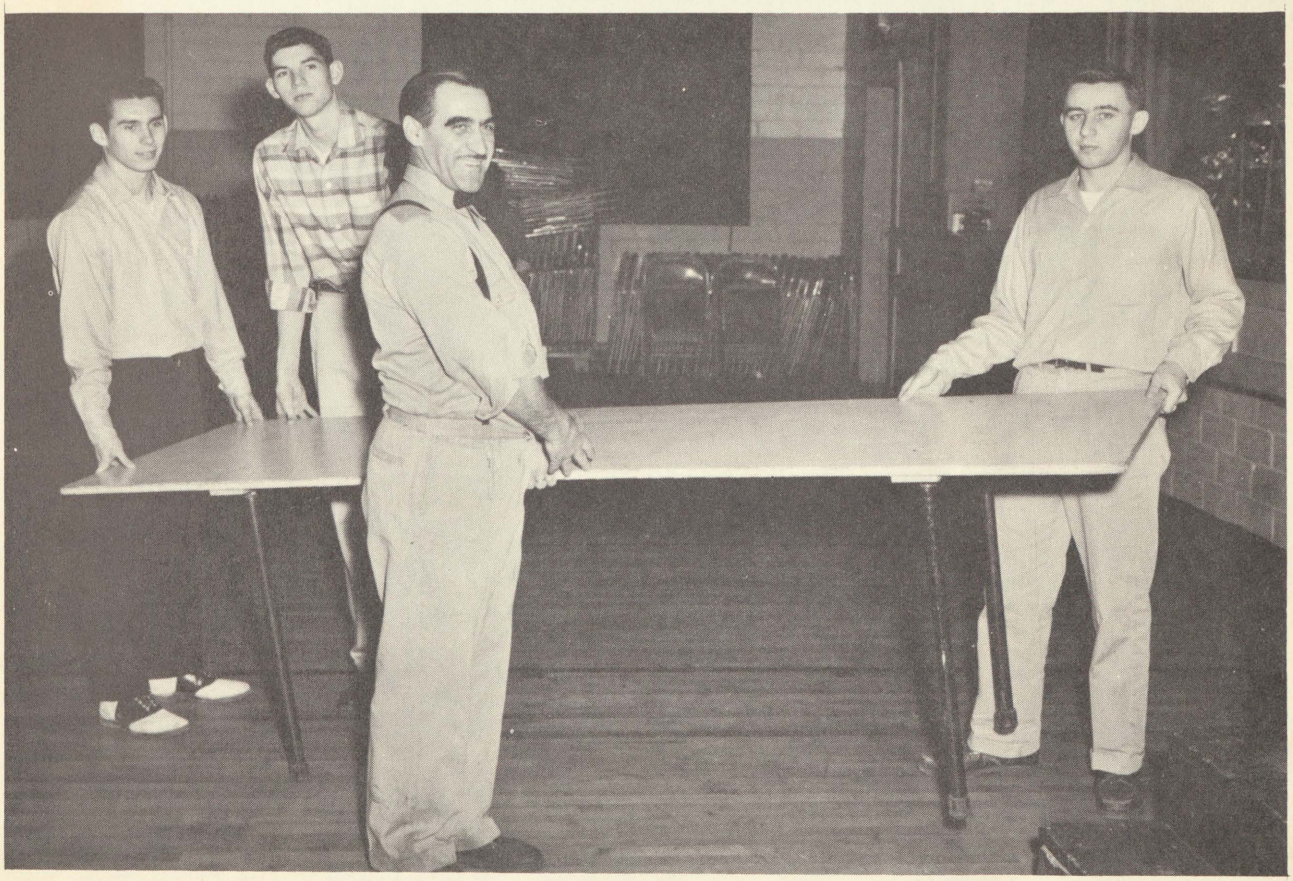
Everbody helped with the athletic field.

Cafeteria

Students who have a spare study-hall hour for work in the cafeteria are, Mary Ellen Minnick, JoAnn Kutz, Pat Lambert, Kathy Nowasatko, Rosa Johnson, Shirley Kassin, Willma Simmons, Karen Remainder, Marilyn Mc - Clure, Carole Hornick, Harold Keeven, Duane Simmons, Don Carpenter, Chuck Bussinger, Earl Hare, Ronnie Frasier, Paul Fath, Gary Davenport, Wayne Boshaw, Martin Hornick, John Golden, Tom Stevens, Vendel Pinter, Jim Wah, Howard Foreman and Ralph Trim. The work for serving and cleaning up is done so quickly that it seems no time at all until lunch is over and the gym ready for dancing, and games

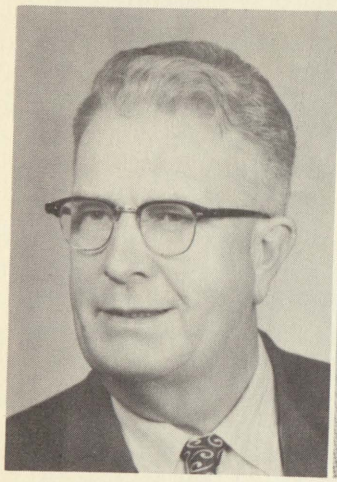


Ruth (Mrs. Andy) Petoskey, Margaret Brownlie, and Frances Basner serve the best of hot lunches to us at noon. This day it was fricasseed chicken with hot biscuits; and, it's always service with a smile to nearly two hundred of us.

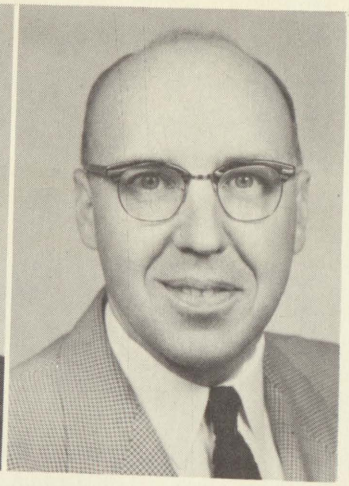


Andrew (Andy) Petoskey, is our friend in every time of need. He's one person who always gets co-operation from the students. These boys, LeRoy, Paul, and Ron, are glad to help--they just look serious because their picture is being taken.

Faculty



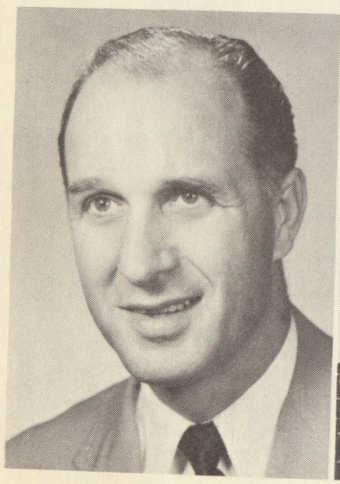
Eldon Fuller, B.S.



Charles Ramsey, A.B.

Our Principal is the one who helps with the planning of our study program so that we will not come through with all A's in social studies when we want to become a chemist or an electrical engineer. He also, with the class officers and the student council, organizes our recreation and student government programs. His office is one of the busiest places in the school.

Charles Ramsey, our counseling teacher is the teacher who tells us where to go to get the thing we want, and how to make adjustments so that we find satisfaction in the life we are able to live. Problems are his specialty.



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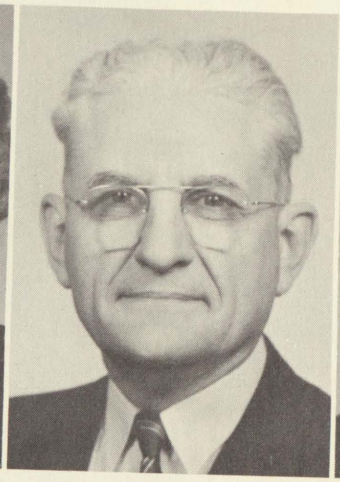
Eleanor Fuller, B.S.
Jr. High Social Studies



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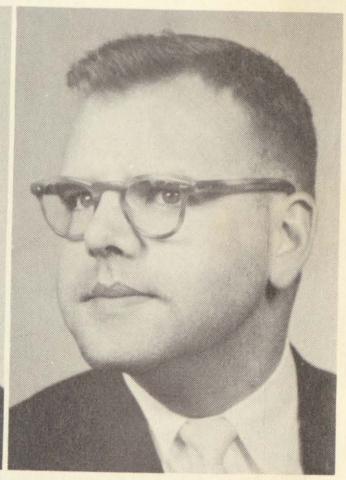
Jr. High Math and History



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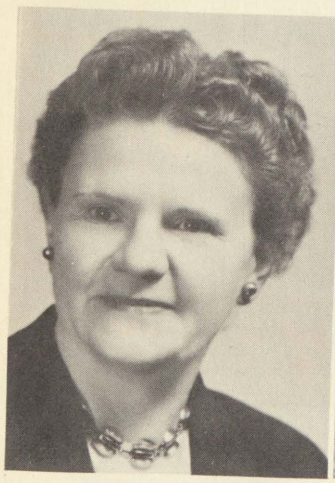
Driver Edu. and Coach



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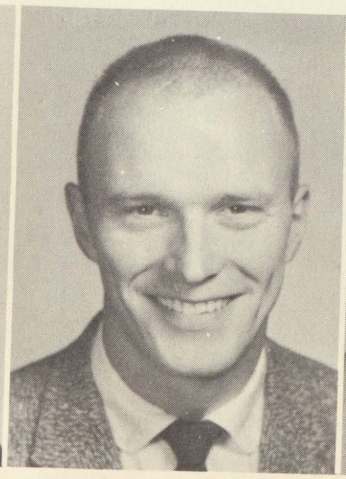
Language and Librarian



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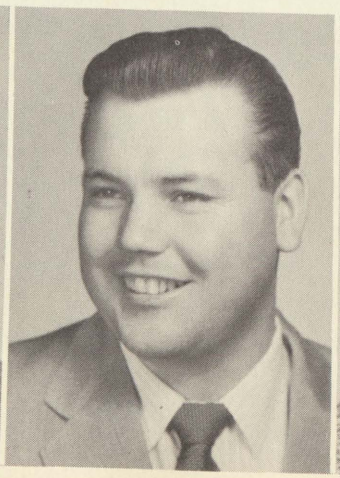
Music Director



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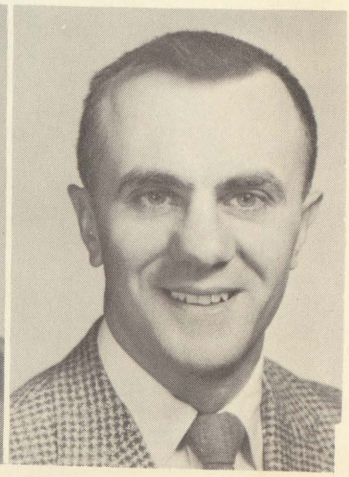
Agriculture



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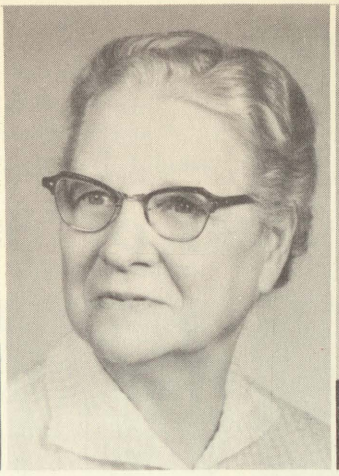
Athletic Director and Pol.Sc.

Rodney Riggal, B.A.
Social Studies



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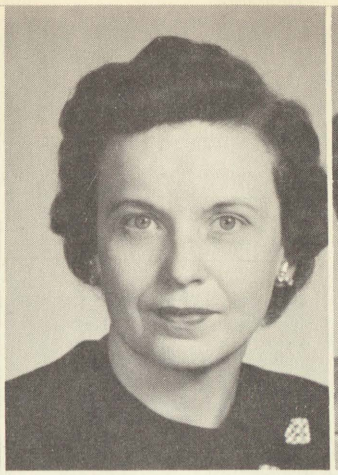
Commerce and Publications



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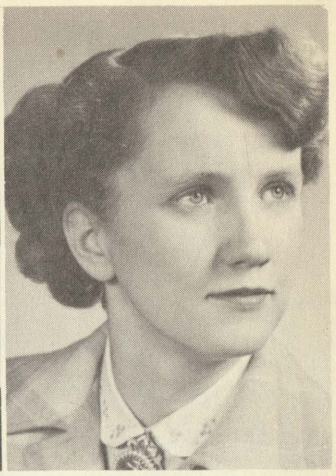
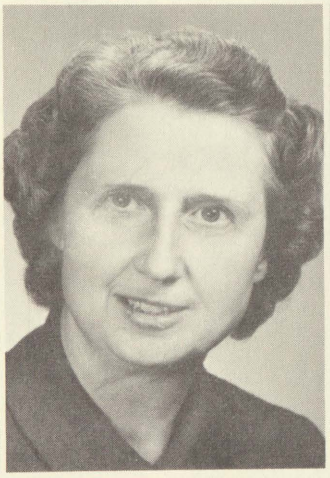
Jr. High Math and English



Ruth Sogge
English

Dorothea Tiedt
Jr. High English and Geo.



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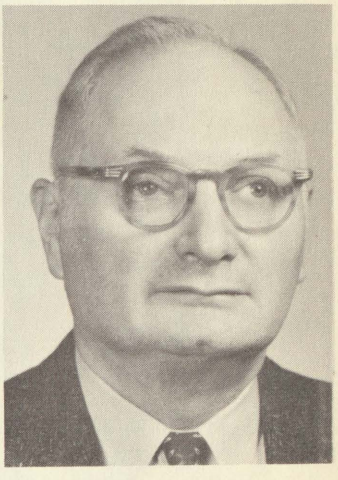
Homemaking

Anna Marie Thurston, A.B.
Math and English



Payne Ward, A.B.
Science

Secretaries Virginia McLarty and Helen Dunn find plenty of hard work keeping the files, the accounts, the correspondence, and the students' excuses in order—all excuses for absence must be kept as a part of the school record of the student; but, often, as in the picture, the report of fine accomplishment on the part of a student is cause for real joy.

Graduating Class of '57

Seniors try on graduation robes. Pilgrim Citizen, Carol Trim adjusts the hem of the robe for the Salutatorian, Marilyn Delinski. The Valedictorian, Wayne Dupree, is helped with fastening his robe by class secretary, Sharon McSweyn.

Ronnie Siazik helps Marilyn Bellenbaumn adjust adjust the collar of her robe.

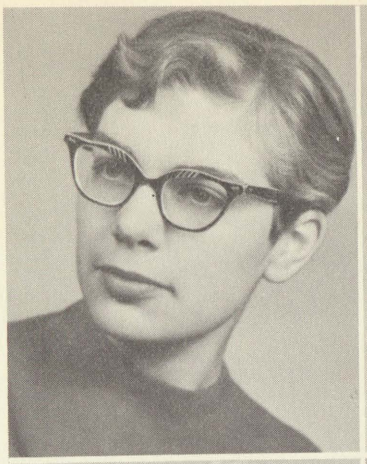
When the robes are fitted then the next thing will be to put the motto "We Mold Our Nations Future", on the back drop of the stage, practice the march for graduation, and order the class flowers, the red and white rose, for the graduates to wear.

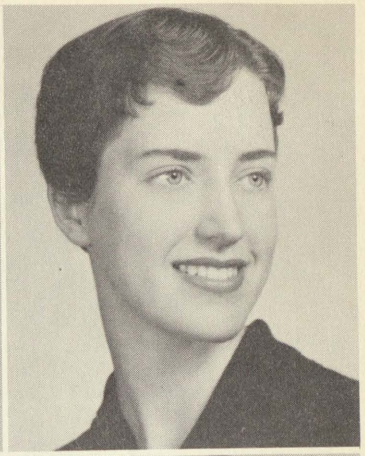
MARY ARRIGONI

"A combination of fun and good sense." Basketball 4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. Officer 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Band Officer 2,3, 4; Music Varsity 2,3,4; Jr. Play 3; Library 4; Newspaper Staff 3.

MARILYNN BELLENBAUM

"She makes them laugh, she makes them sigh, and she makes them wait with stars in their eyes." Basketball 1,2,3,4; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Yearbook Staff; Chorus 1,2; Music Varsity 1,2; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. Officer 2,3; Jr. Play 3; Class Officer 1; Library 2; Newspaper Staff 3.





SANDRA BOWMAN

"If humor were gold she would be a millionaire." Chorus 1,2; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Newspaper Staff 3; Yearbook Staff; Library 2.

BARBARA BURKEY

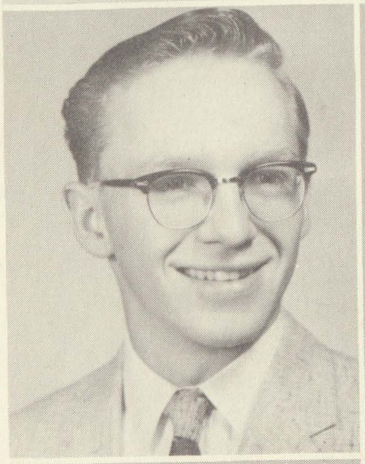
"Life is but a thought." F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2; Chorus 3,4; Physical Education 3; Music Varsity 1,2; Drivers Training 2,3; Home Nursing 3.

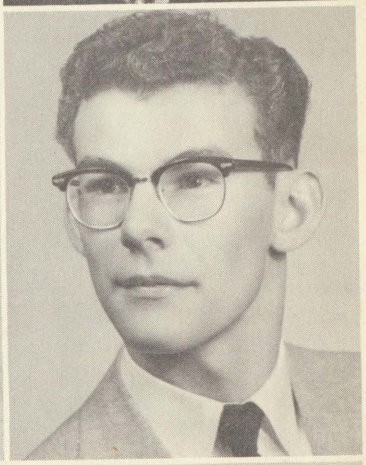
JIM DEGUISE

"Not too serious, not too gay, a good fellow in every way." F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Football 3,4; Newspaper 3.

LARRY DELEMEESTER

"You can't pay attention to your brakes when your mind is on the clutch." F.F.A. 2,3,4; F.F.A. Officer 4; Track 3,4; Beef Club 4.



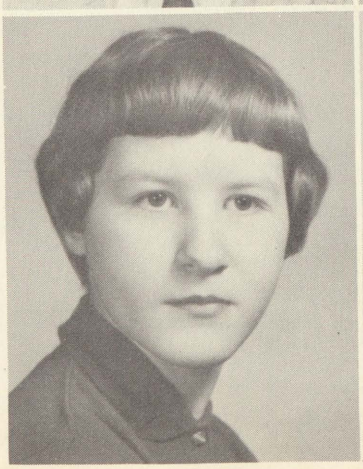


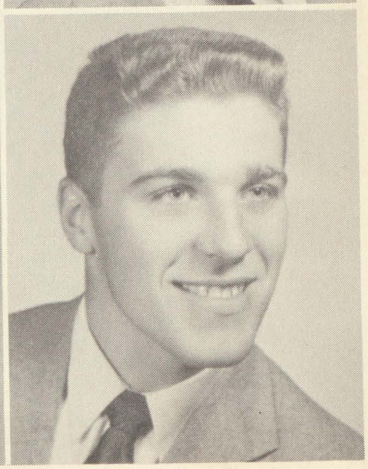
MARILYN DELINSKY

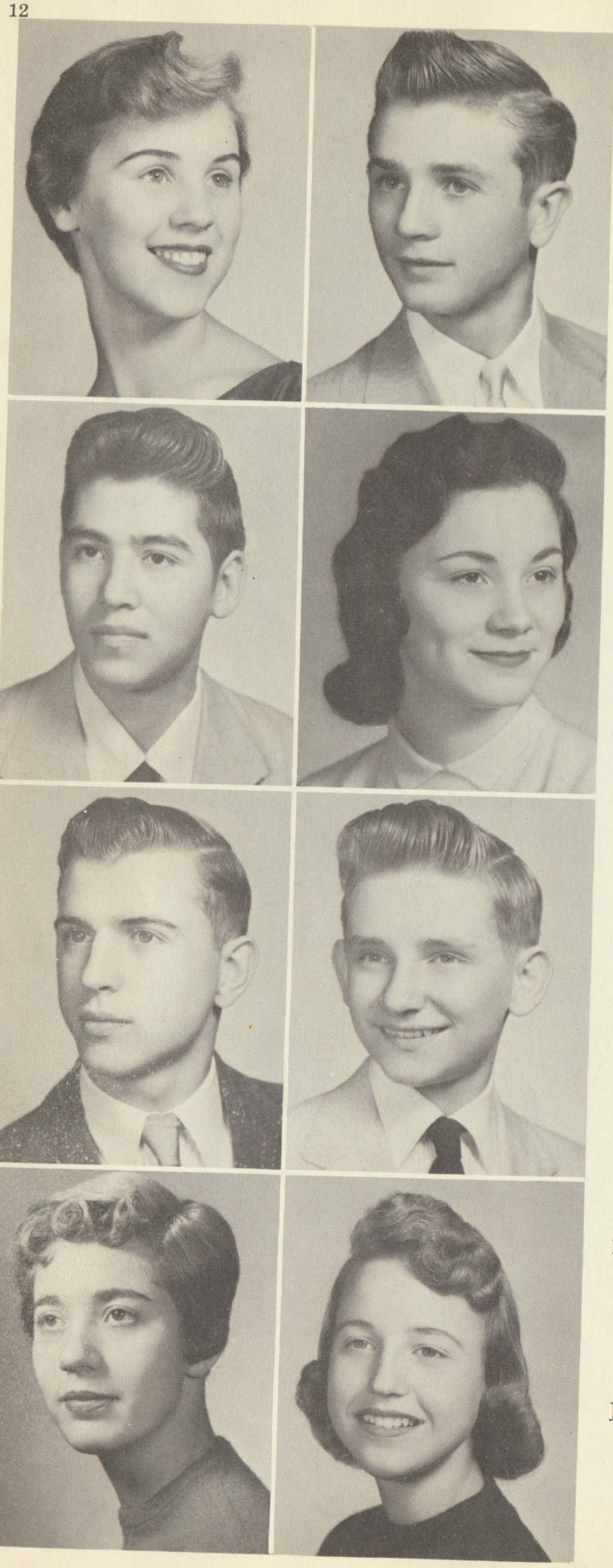
"A quiet tongue shows a wise head." Chorus 3; F.H.A. 1,2,3; Drivers Training 2; Newspaper 3; Music Varsity.

WAYNE DUPREE

"'Tis strange what a man may do and a woman yet think him an angel." Football 2,3,4; Basketball 2,3,4; Class Officer 3; Band 1,2,3,4; Student Council 2,3,4; Student Council Officer 4; Chorus 4; Jr. Play 3; Music Varsity 1,2,3,4; Sports Varsity 2, 3,4; Newspaper 3; Band Officer 1,2; 4-H 4.







VIRGINIA ELLIS
"A warm smile and a good sense of humor." Student Council 1; Basketball 2,3,4; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Jr. Play 3; F.H.A. 1,2; Music Theory 2; Band 3,4; Band Officer 4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Chorus Officer 4; Music Varsity; Music Ensemble 4; Newspaper Staff 3.

PAUL FATH
"An Idle brain is the devil's workshop." 4-H 4.

JAMES FISHER
"At last I need study no more." Drivers Training 2; Newspaper Staff 3;

JUDY FOWLER
"She likes them short; she likes them tall; we all know she likes them all." Chorus 3; Music Varsity; Music Ensemble; F.H.A. 1, 2,3; Newspaper Staff 3,4; Yearbook Staff.

KENNETH FULTON
"Time is but the stream I go fishin' in." Newspaper Staff 3; Drivers Training 2.

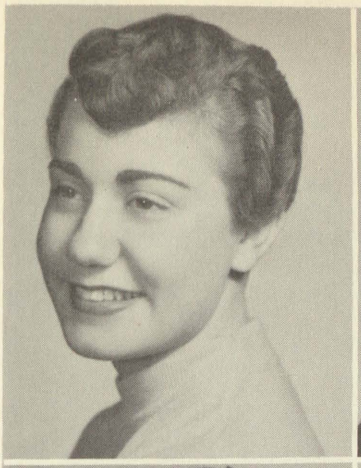
DUANE GOLDYNIA
"Life is short and so am I." Newspaper 3; Yearbook Staff.

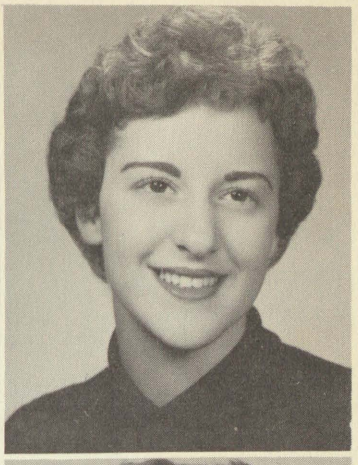
MARY ANNE GORMAN
"I wait for no woman, but as for men..." Basketball 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2; Music Varsity; Yearbook Staff; Library 2; Jr. Play 3.

JANICE HAHN
"Bubbles over with laughter at her own jokes." Basketball 1,2,3,4; Cheerleader 4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Student Council 4; Band 1, 2; Majorette 2.

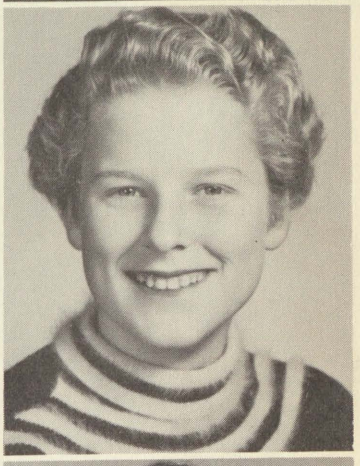
IRENE HARE
"If silence were golden, she would be a pauper." F.H.A. 2; Newspaper 3; Driver Training 2.

GWEN HARKINS
"Light-hearted, merry, jolly and gay, a girl with a happy-go-lucky way." Chorus 1,2; Library 1,2; Music Varsity; Newspaper Staff 3; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. Officer 3; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Cheerleader 1,2,3.





LORETTA HELFRECHT
"Yes, I'm taken." Chorus 3,4; Chorus Officer 4; Chorus Ensemble 3,4; Music Varsity; Class Officer 3; Student Council 4; Student Council Officer 4; Yearbook Staff; Newspaper Staff 4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. Officer 3,4.



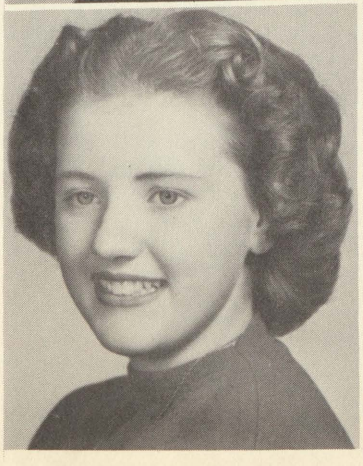
BETTY HOWELL
"Constantly carefree and peppy." Band 1, 2; Library 4; Newspaper 3; Drivers Training 2; Yearbook Staff; F.H.A. 1,2.

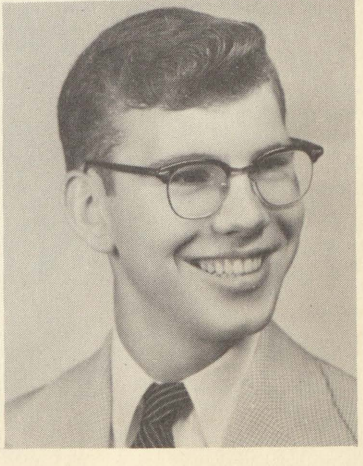
ROSA JOHNSON
"Does she talk? Well, all the time, but that was never much of a crime." F.H.A. 1; Chorus 1; Newspaper 3; Yearbook Staff.

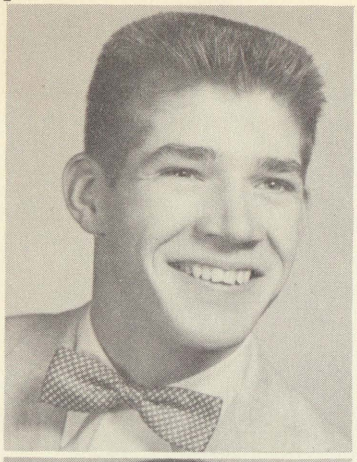
DIANE KAPUSTO
"Its nice to be natural." Chorus 1; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Newspaper 3; Drivers Training 2.

ANNA KASSIN
"Always a kind word for someone." Yearbook Staff; Newspaper 3,4; Drivers Training 2.

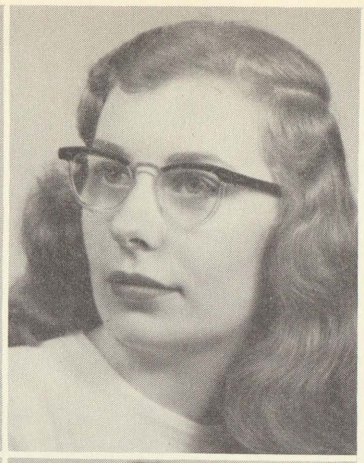
LAVERN KENDALL
"Life is funny, but I don't get the joke." Band 1,2,3; F.F.A. 1.



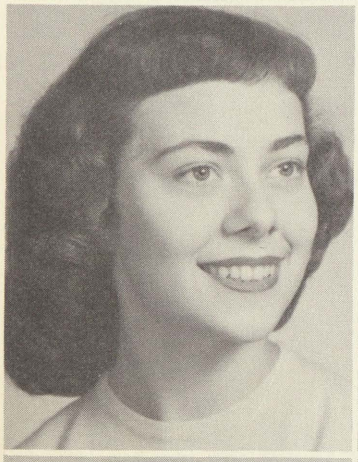




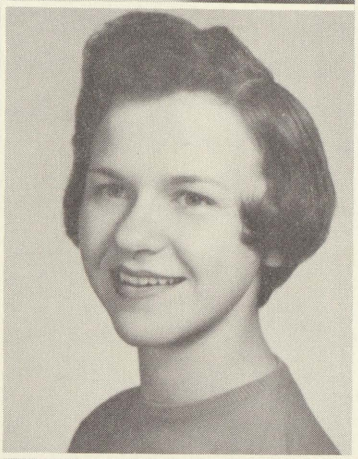
HUGH KNOWLES
"Not too serious; not too gay; a good fellow in every way." F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Sportmans Club 1,2,3,4.



SANDRA KOVACS
"She unwillingly confronts her studies." F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Band 2; Newspaper Staff 3; Music Varsity.

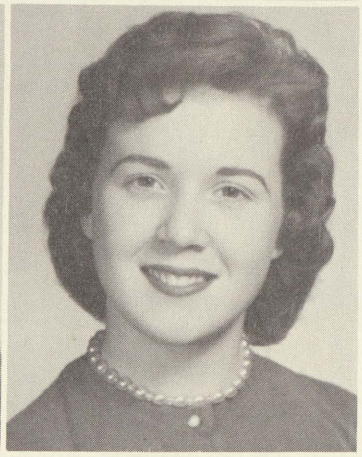


RITA KRZCIOK
"Either I'll find a way or make one." Yearbook Staff; Newspaper 3,4; Chorus 1, 3,4; Music Varsity; Music Theory; Student Council 1; Library 1,3; Ensemble 3.

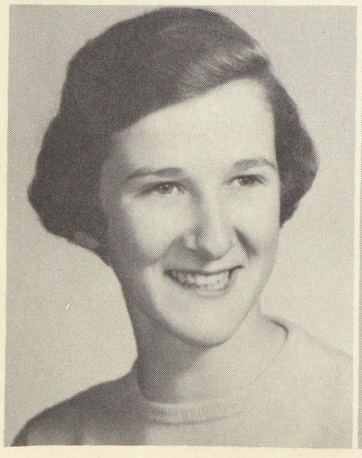


JOANNE KUSHION
"The first in our class to be called Mrs." Chorus 1,2; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. Officer 4; Newspaper 3; Music Varsity.

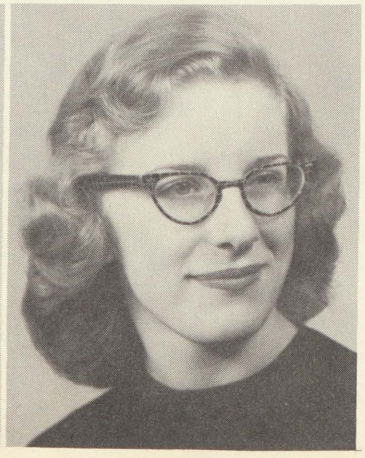
LECHIAN LADE
"Silence is golden." Chorus 1; Newspaper Staff 3,4; Yearbook Staff.



CAROL LATSCH
"When she says 'Chicken' its not the eaten kind." Chorus 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Band Officer 4; Music Varsity; Chorus Officer 4; Basketball 4; Forensics 2,3.



SHARON MCSWEYN
"Don's model girl, quiet but coy." Class Officer 1,2,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. Officer 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2.



PEGGY MARKO
"Them Carrots ain't the eaten kind." F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2; Music Varsity; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Majorette 2; Newspaper Staff 3,4; Yearbook Staff.

LEROY MENDYK
"A carefree smile and a wink of the eye, these are some of the things we know Leroy by." Football 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 2; Student Council 3,4; F.F.A. 2,3,4; Sportsman Club 2,3,4; Track 3,4; Beef Club 4.

EVONNA MINKINA
"Winning ways, makes friend easily." Class Officer 1,2,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. Officer 3,4; Newspaper 3; Band 1,2,3,4; Band Officer 3,4.

ALBERT NOWAK
"Famous for friendly arguments with teachers." Basketball 1,2; Student Council 2,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; F.F.A. Officer 3, 4; Newspaper 3; Class Officer 3,4.

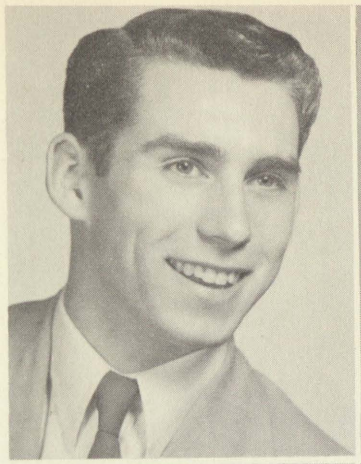
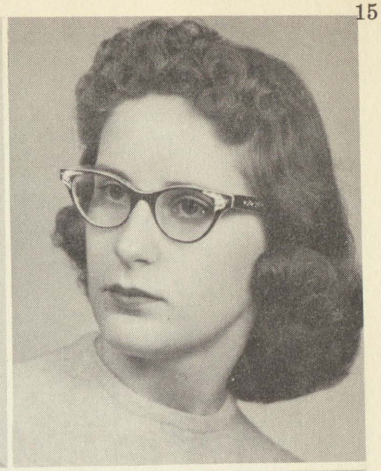
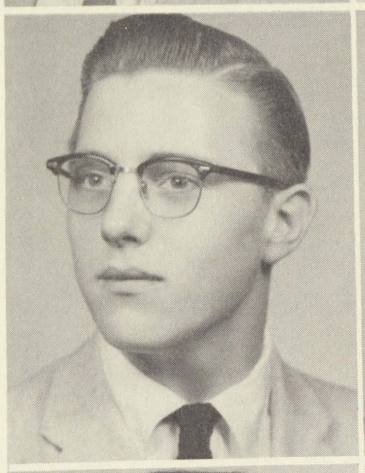
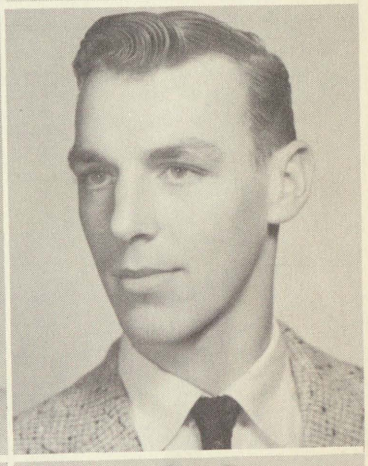
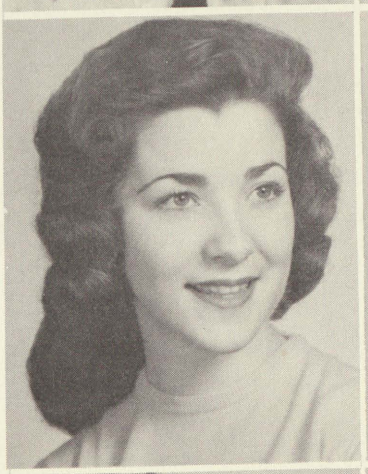
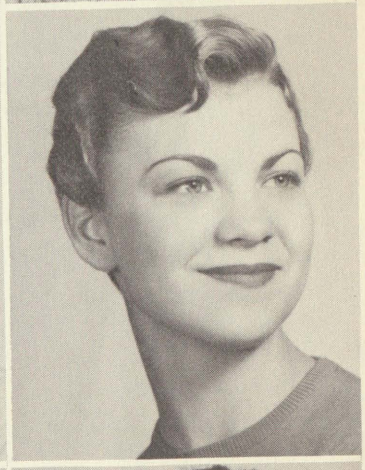
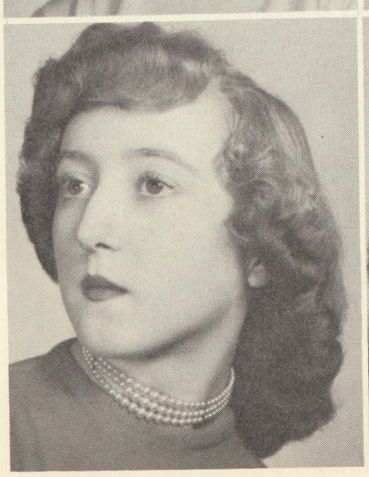
MARION NOWOSATKO
"Fond of fun and always ready for a laugh." Basketball 2; Sportsman Club 2,4; Newspaper 3; Student Council 2,3,4.

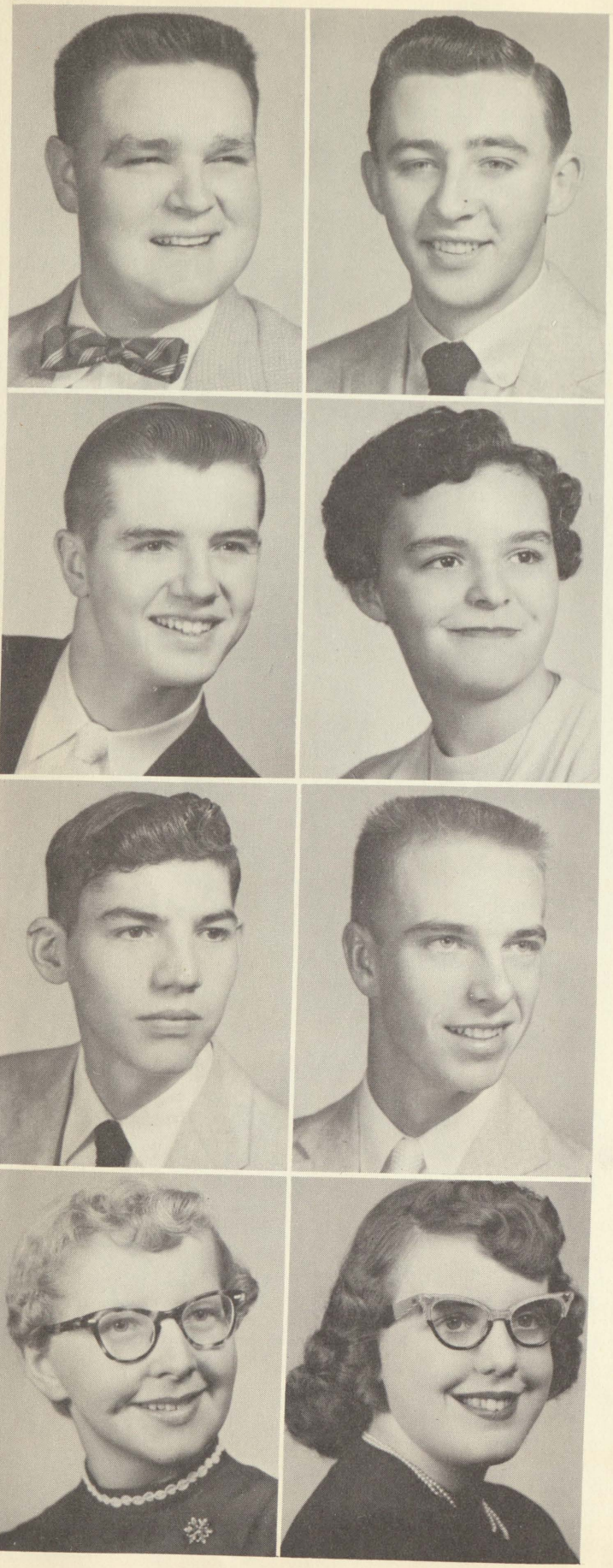
SHARON PETOSKEY
"Not very tall, not very small, but fair and sweet and liked by all." Chorus 1,2; Music Varsity; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Newspaper Staff 3,4; Yearbook Staff.

SHARON PIROCHTA
"You simply can't resist those eyes! And does she use them...Sure she tries." F.H.A. 1,2,3; Newspaper Staff 3,4; Yearbook Staff; Chorus 1.

BARBARA PITOKOWICZ
"Man has his will, but woman has her way." F.H.A. 1,2; Newspaper 3; Chorus1.

RUTH ANN ROGERS
"Tall and quiet, but definitely not shy." F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. Officer 2; Chorus 3.



JIM ST. CHARLES
"I've conquered school, what comes next." Jr. Play 3; Newspaper 3.

RONALD SIAZIK
"I know it is, well maybe it is, come to think of it, I don't know." Yearbook Staff 4; Newspaper 3.

GERALD STANUSZEK
"A more handsome man may have lived, but he doubts it." Jr. Play 3; Football 1, 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 1, 2,3,4; Student Council 1,2; Varsity Club 1, 2,3,4; Newspaper 3,4; Chorus 4; 4-H 3,4.

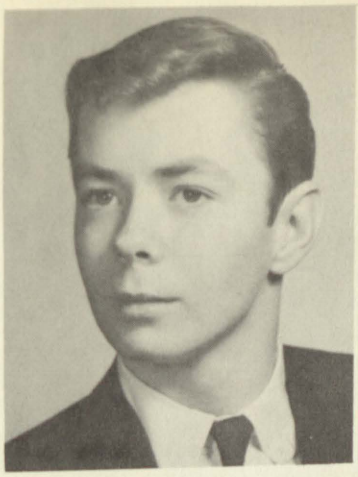
JANICE STEVENS
"Easy to please." F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Newspaper 3; Drivers Training 2.

PAUL STEVENS
"This good-looking lad who's not very small, has dark wavy hair, and his smile slays them all!" Basketball 1,2,3,4; 4-H 2,3,4; Newspaper 3; Sports Varsity 2,3,4; Drivers Training 2.

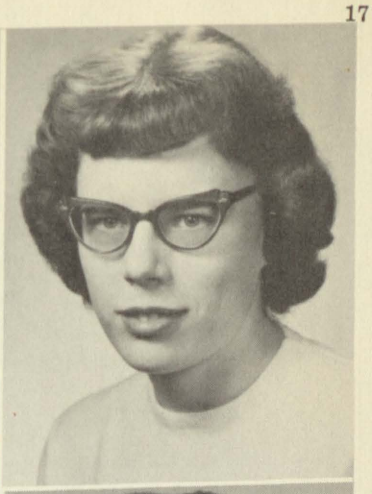
LARRY THURSTON
"If I don't know the answer I can always say I lost my book." Baseball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Football 1,3; Sports Varsity 2,3,4; 4-H 1,3,4.

CAROL TRIM
"She is good at everything she tries." F.H.A. 1; Library 3,4; Newspaper Staff 3, 4; Yearbook Staff.

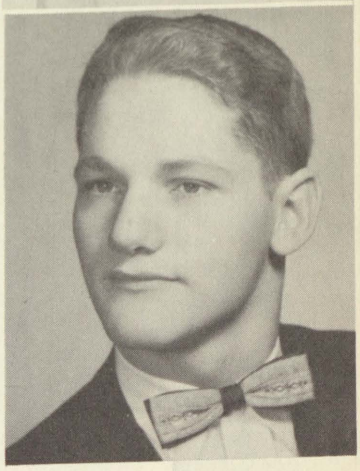
SANDRA TURNER
"Up my friends and quit your books. Why all the toil and worried looks?" Chorus 3, 4; Chorus Officer 4; Music Varsity; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Newspaper Staff 3,4; Yearbook Staff; Ensemble. 3,4.



JOHN TYLER
"The nicest things come in small packages." Jr. Play 3; Newspaper 3.



BARBARA WAGER
"Quite new and already a friend." Girls Glee Club Choir 1; Physical Education 1, 2,3.



JACK WILSON
"Work fascinates me, I could watch it for hours." Newspaper 3; Football 2,3,4; Basketball 2,3.

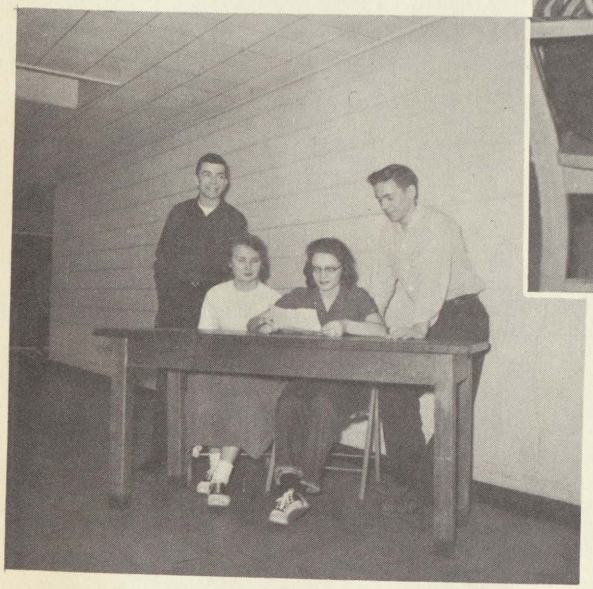
Student Council ORGANIZED BY THE CLASS OF '48

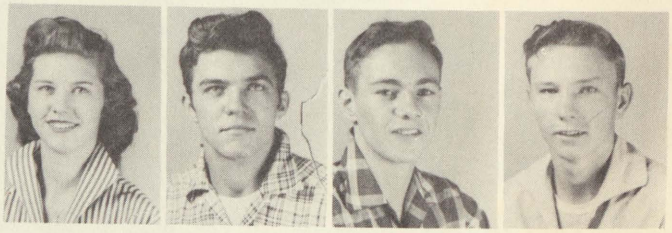
LEFT TO RIGHT AROUND THE TABLE: Carol Chapman, Loretta Helfrecht, Dennis Kushion, Tom Minns, John Dupree, Dupree, John Krzciok, Marion Nowasatko, Albert Nowak, Larry Molher, Janice Hahn, Marlene Mendyk, Judy Brockitt. STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: Frank Gould, Bill Pistono, Leroy Mendyk, James Delemeester, William Polash, Wayne Dupree, Mike Scherzer, Eldon Fuller, Principal.

Juniors

RIGHT: Ruth Sogge, Sponsor; Bill Pistono, Council Member; Judy Brockett, Council Member; Payne Ward, Sponsor; and Larry Moeller, Council Member.

BELOW. Class Officers: John McInnis, Treasury; Margaret Hammond, Secretary; Judy Brockett, President; Al Bixby, Vice President.





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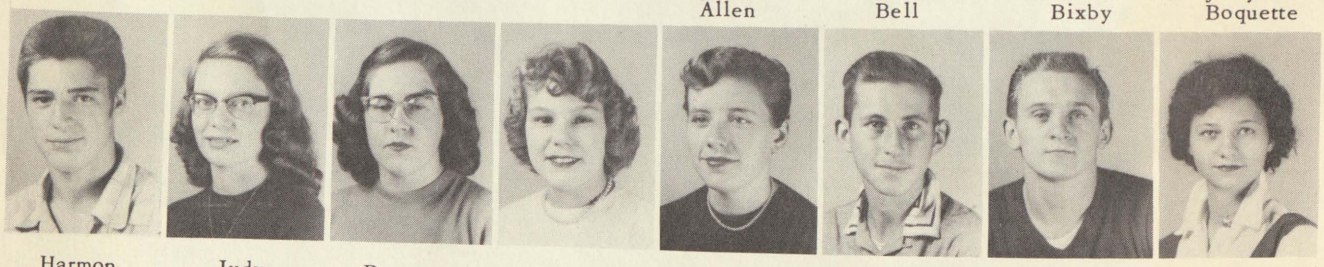

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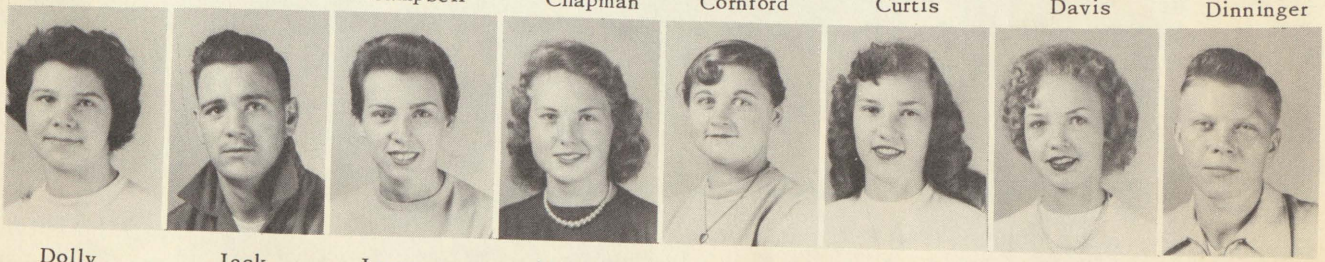

Dolly Fowler | Jack Flory | Janet Greenman | Margaret Hammond | Geraldine Hare | Kay Hare | Betty Helfrecht | Martin Hornick

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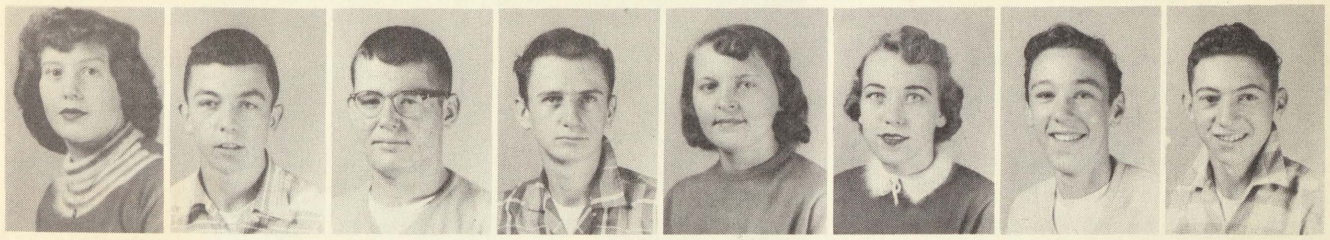

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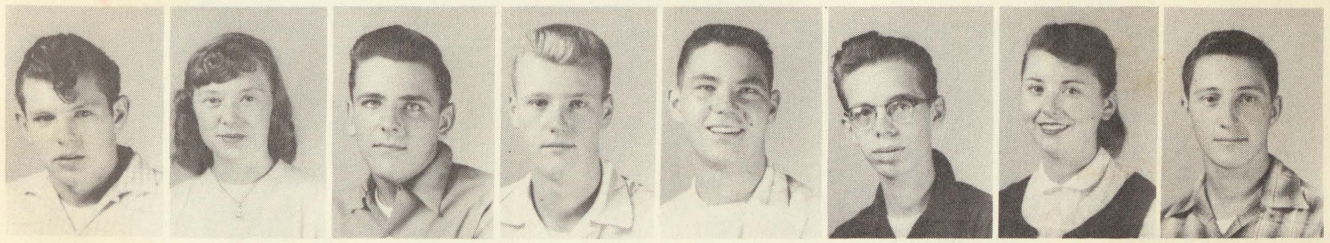

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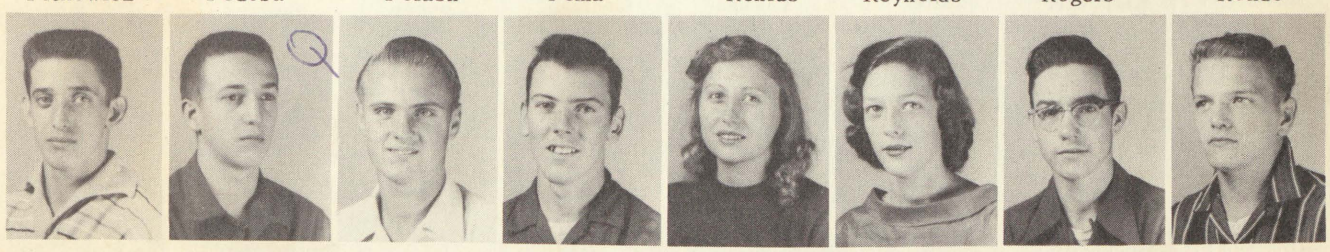

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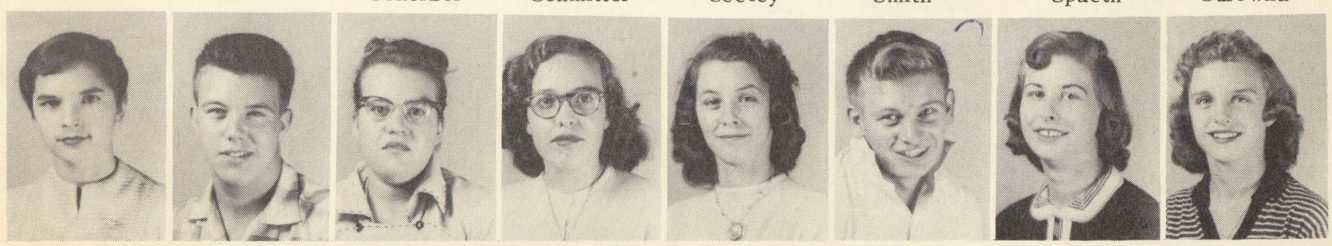

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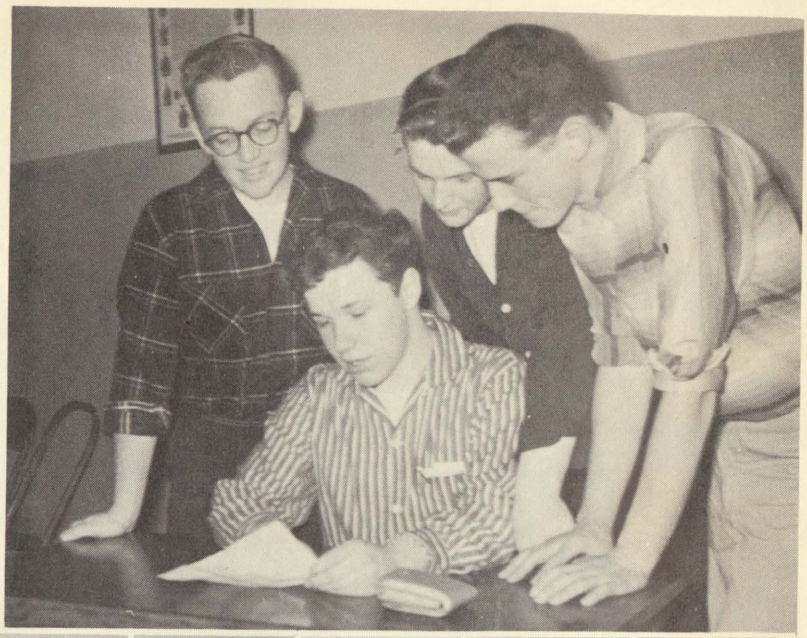


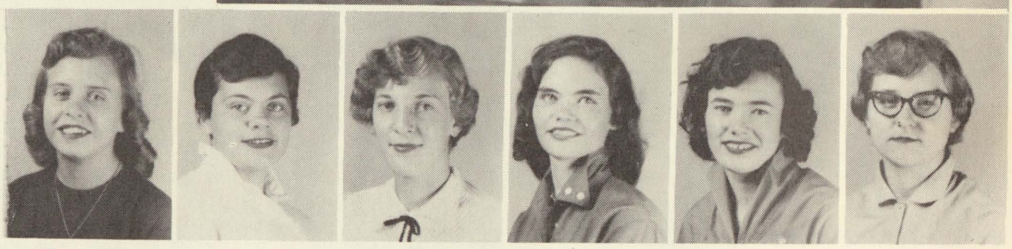
Officers of the Sophomore class at the left are Dennis McCullough, Vice-President; Jim Doan, Treasurer; Dave Rusz, Secretary; and Jim Delemeester, President.

The Record-Hop in November was their first party as Sophomores. Their second party, a Disc-Jockey dance.

The coming important events are Junior-Senior Banquet when Sophomores wait on tables and graduation time when they act as honor guards for Juniors and Seniors.

STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Bill Polash
Michael Scherzer
Frank Gould
Marlene Mendyk



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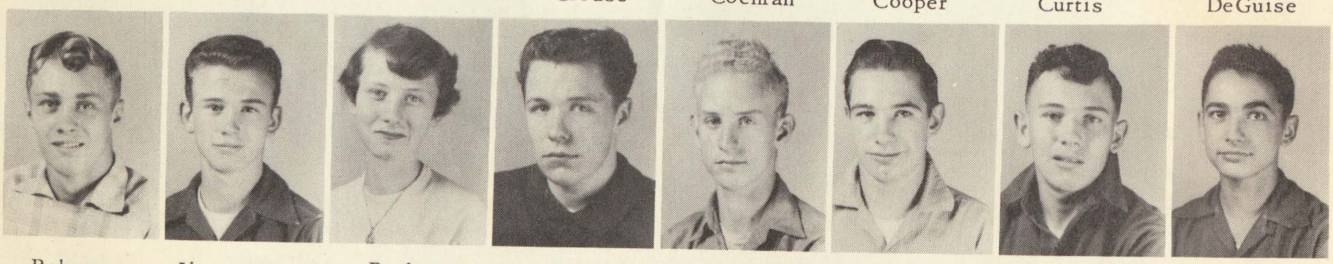

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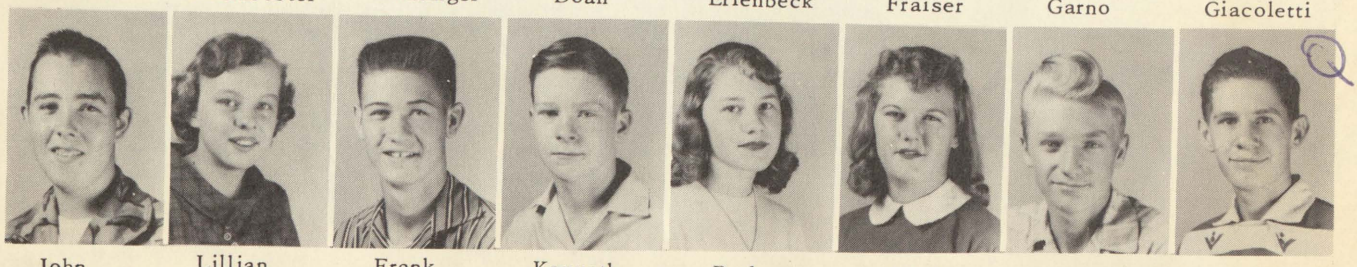

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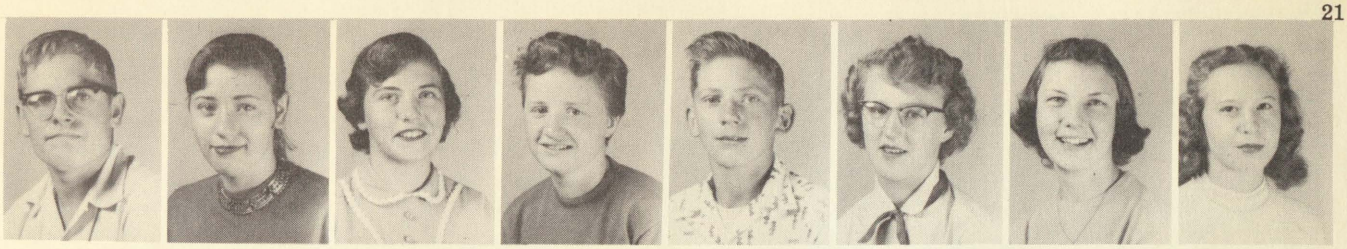

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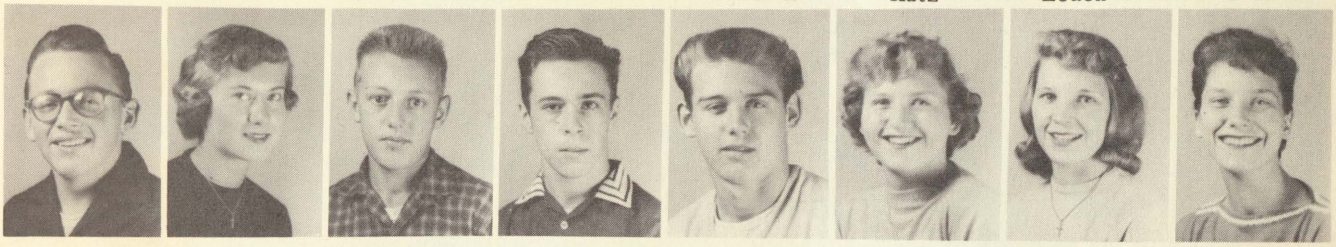

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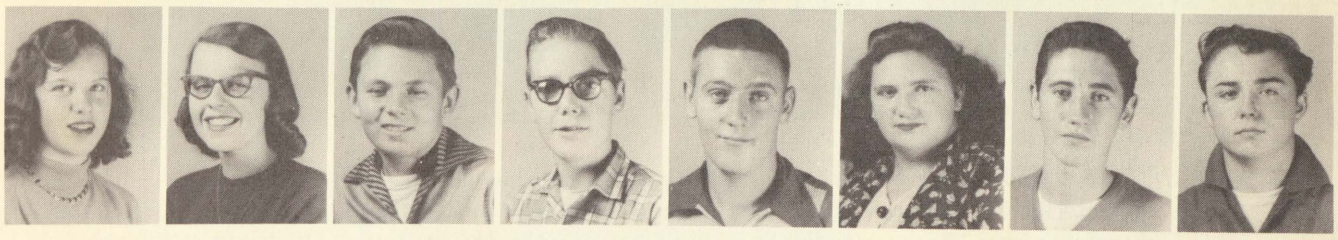

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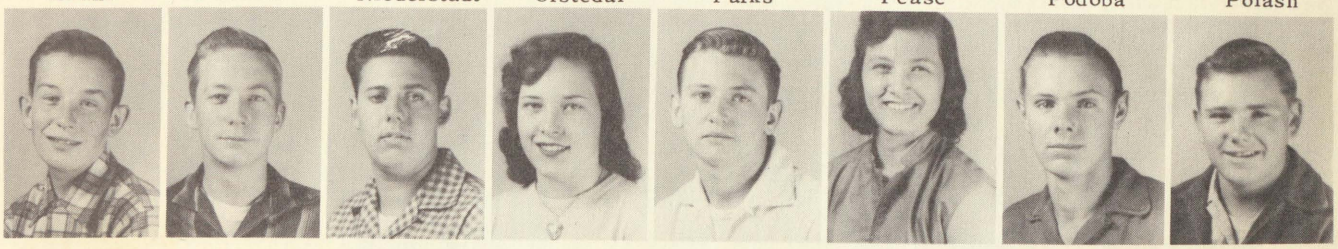

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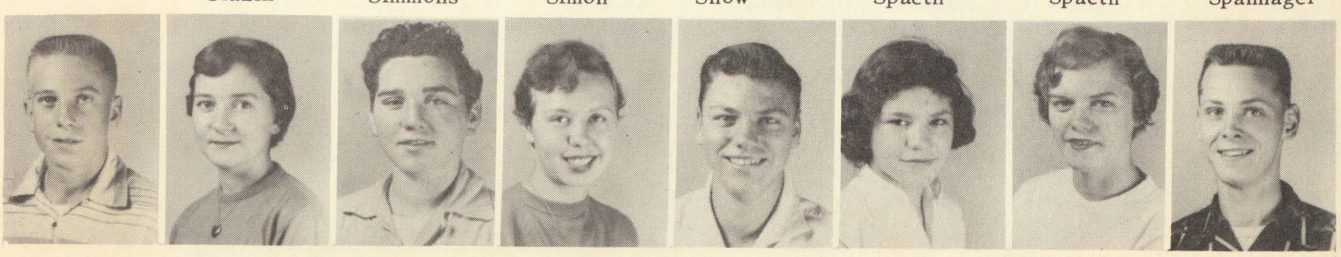
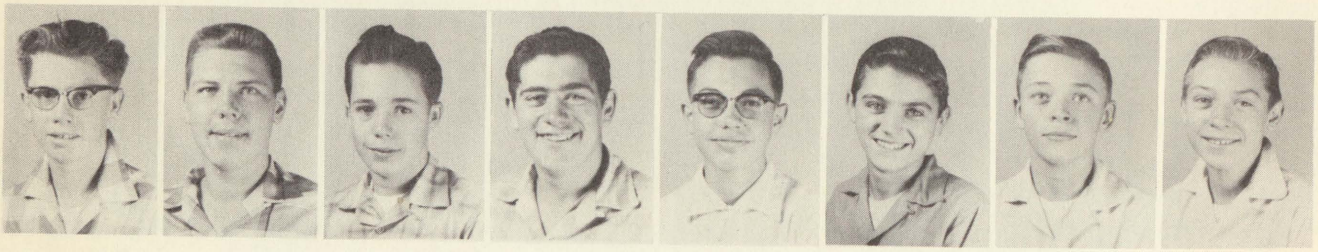


Warren Thurston | Janice Trim | Curtis Vietti | Janet Wahl | Ron Watson | Paula Weight | Rosalin Wenzel | LeRoy Wiltse

Freshmen

Our grade takes an active part in the music program and going caroling at Christmas time with the groups of Carolers was one of the high-lights of our Freshmen year. We were better represented than any other class--but, then why not, we are the largest class, one hundred of us !



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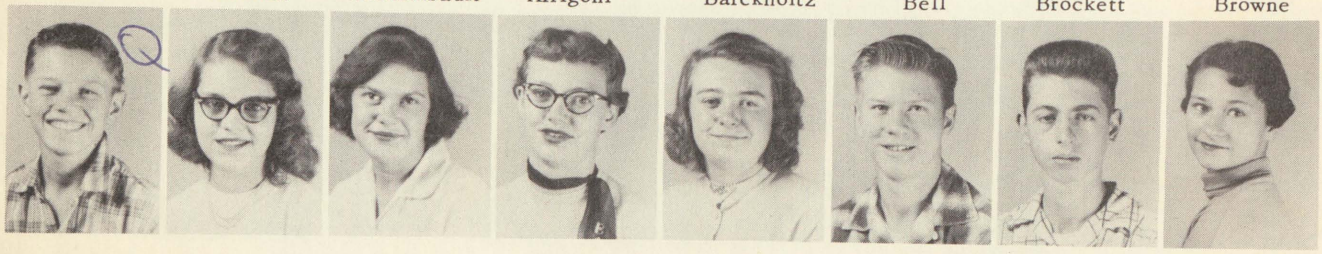


Tom Burns | Carole Chapman | Betty Cramer | Beth Crook | Mary Lee Dalton | Richard Delinsky | Joe Dibley | Marion Dinninger

Laurel De Young | John Dupree | Pat Ellis | Judy Erdmann | Sue Finch | Richard Foreman | Harold Frasier | Jack Frasier

Initiation

The first big event of our Freshman year was initiation. At 8 o'clock in the morning on September 17, 1956, ninety-nine Freshman filed into St. Charles high school. The girls, clad in men's hats, shirts, ties, mismatched socks, men's overalls--approximately two sizes too large, rope belts, vegetable necklaces, and "I-am-a-Freshman" signs, certainly made a surprising and humorous appearance. The boys in their garb consisting of women's hats, dresses, bobby socks, rope belts, "I-am-a-Freshman" signs, vegetable necklaces, and their faces smeared with make-up, completed the picture on initiation day.

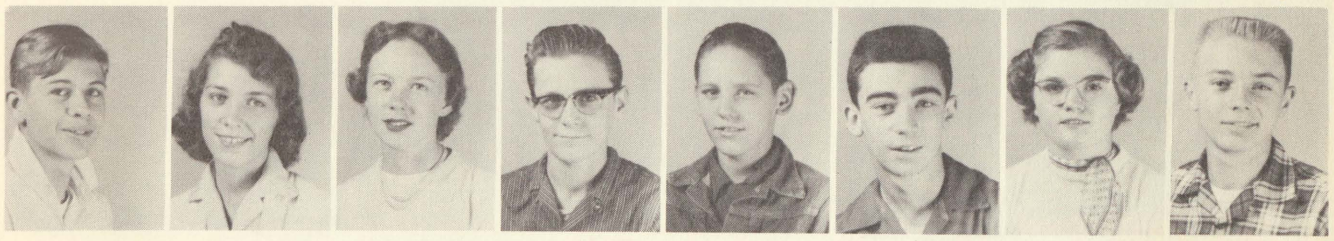
From 8:15 until noon, in every study hall, the upper classmen, and the teachers were entertained by the Freshmen, who very dramatically sang Jingle Bells.

For the Freshmen, the morning consisted mainly of bowing to all upper classmen, picking up papers from the floor, and carrying the Sophomores books to far corners of the school.

The morning's activities ended with the traditional freshmen snake dance , led by the band from Bad River bridge to the school.

The twenty-four hour period was highlighted by a dance given to the Freshmen by their idols, the Sophomores.

Chaperones for the dance were Mr. Rodney Riggal, Mrs. Anna Thurston, Mr. Glenn Johnson, and Mrs. Mary Sikkema.



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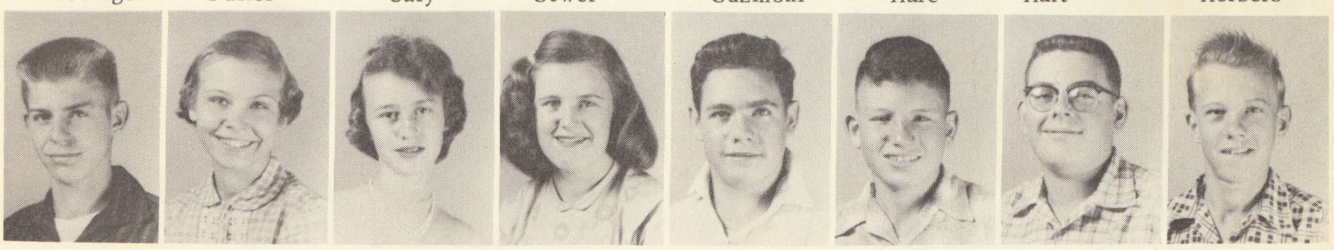

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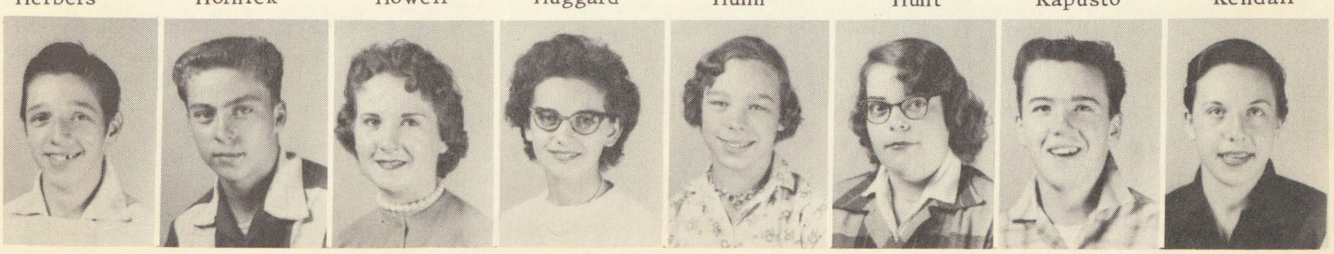

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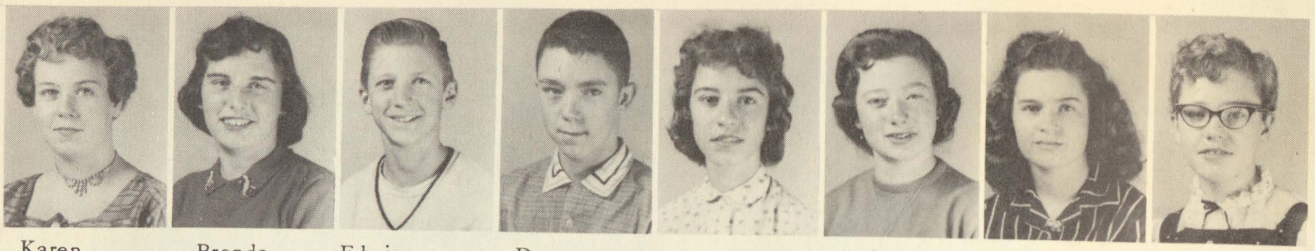

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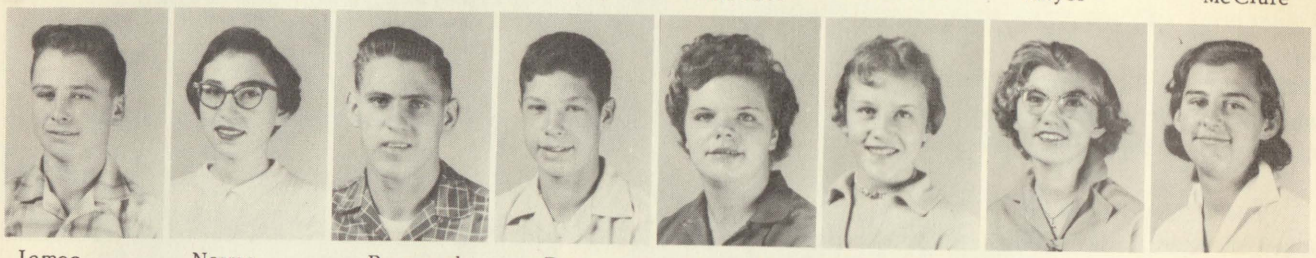

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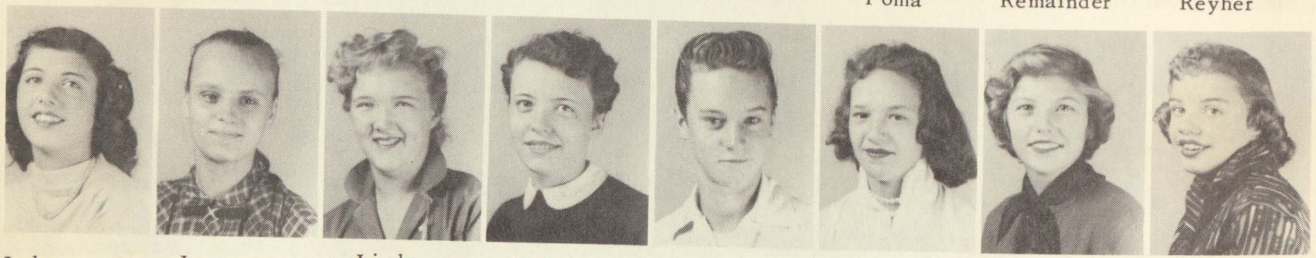

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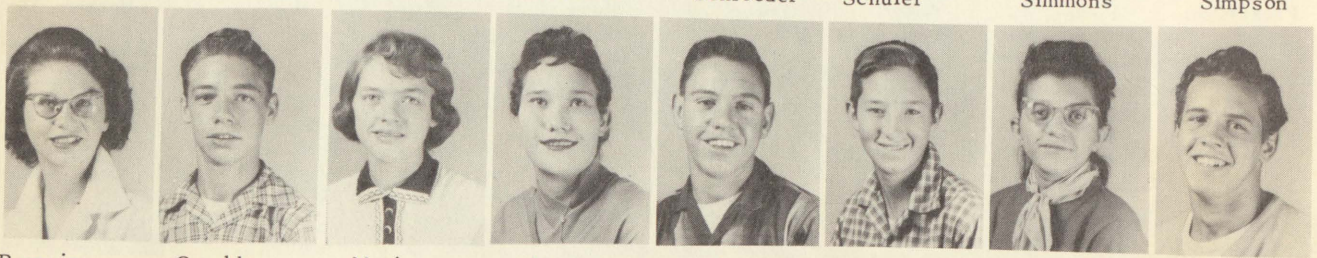
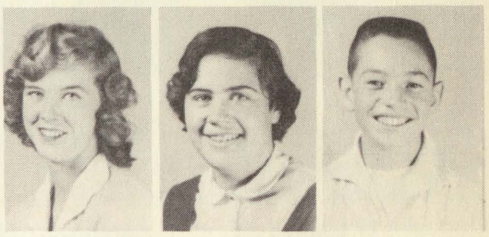


Berneice Smith | Gerald Spannagel | Maxine Shur | Margaret Stennet | Danny Streeter | Duane Sweatland | Venus Thomas | Bill Towne

Dick Tyler | Pat Wachowicz | Clara Jo Wallace | Ted Wend | Penny Weight | Jackie Wheatley | Betty Wicki | Kathleen Wojciechowski

Eighth Grade

All available space in our school is used! The stairs at the end of the lower hall serves as a furnished office in which is held eighth-grade business meetings. Taking part in this meeting are: Charles McClure, President; Tom Minns and Dennis Kushion, Council Members; Robert McFall, Vice-President; Charles Bussinger, Treasurer; and Tom Mendyk, Secretary.



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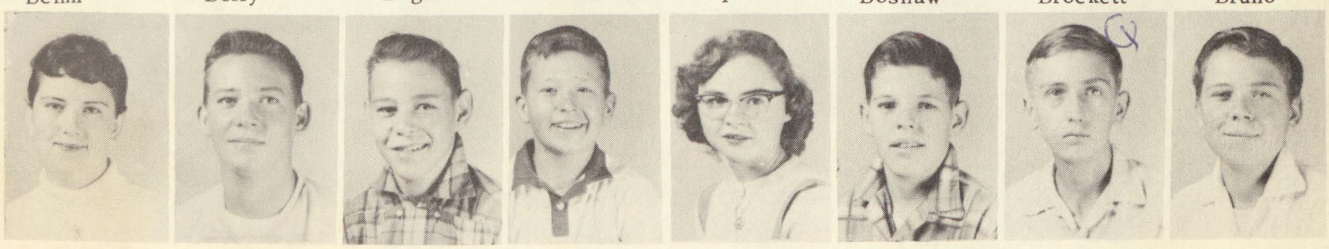

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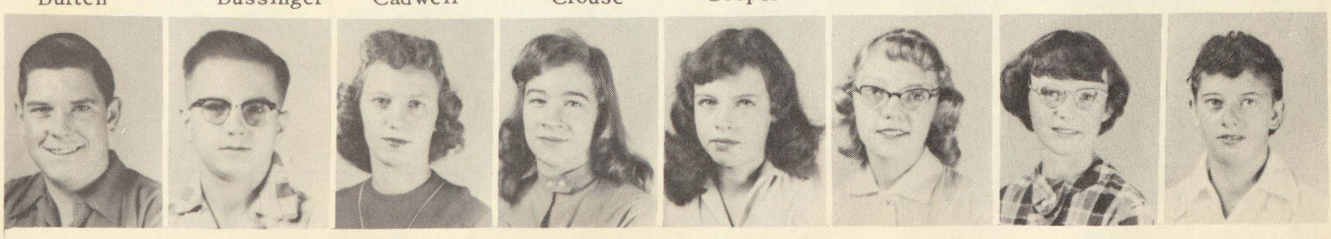

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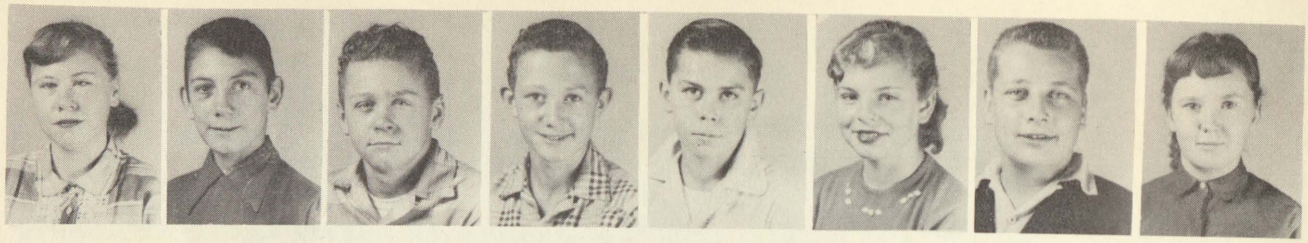
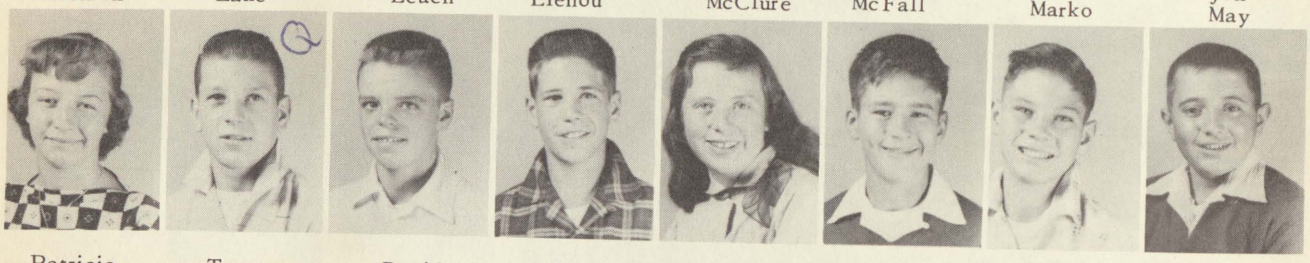


Sally Hall | Earl Hare | Floyd Hare | John Howell | James Hudecek | Sharon Hunt | Robert Knezek | Mary Beth Krause

Dennis Kushion | Lynn Lake | Ruth Leach | Francis Lienou | Charles McClure | Robert McFall | Jack Marko | Jon May



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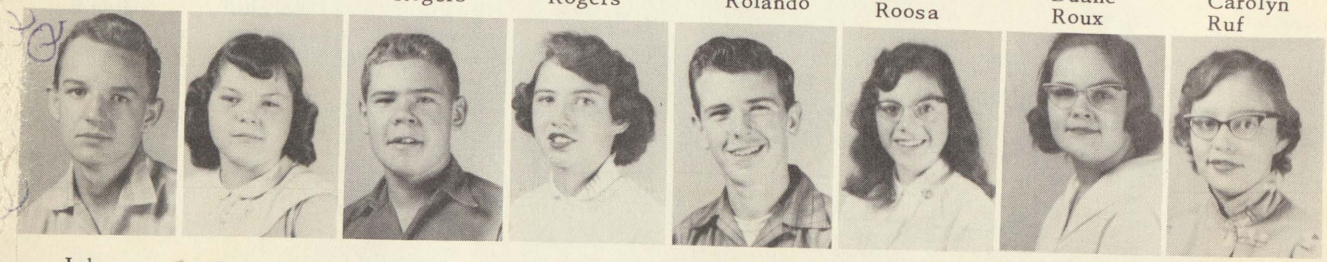

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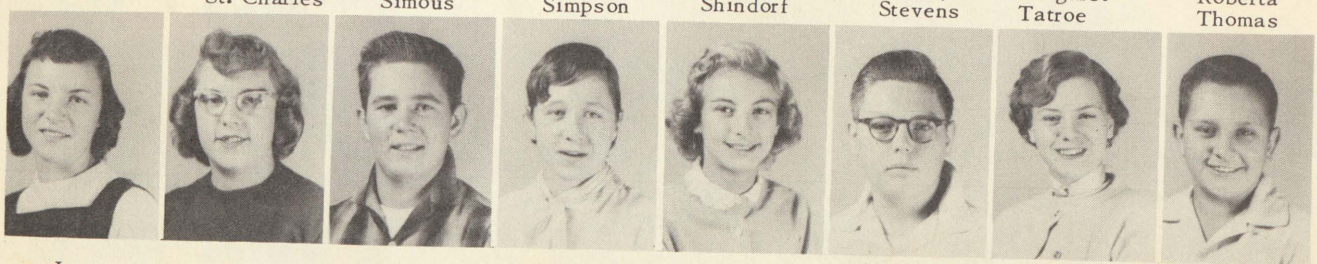
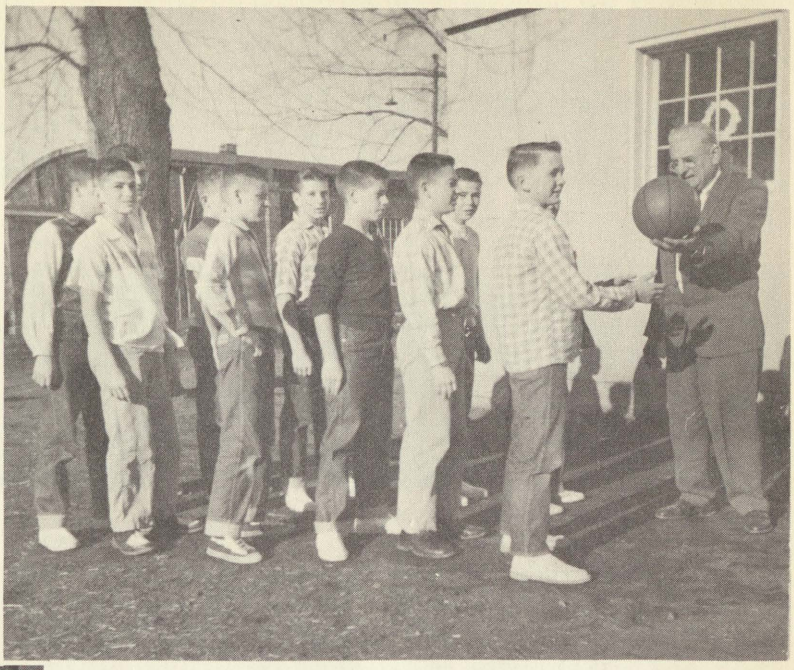


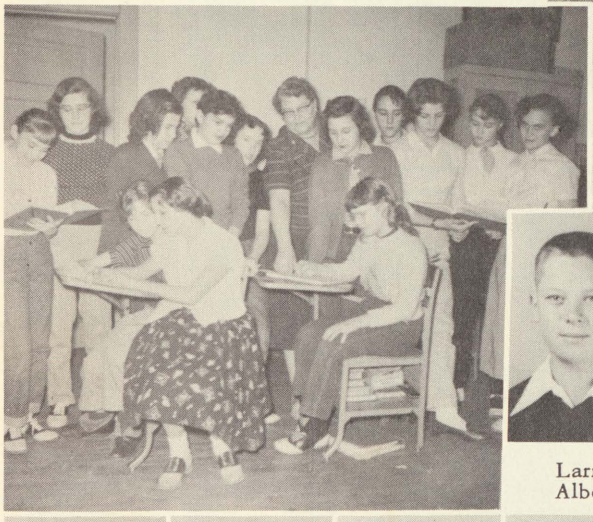
Janet Tiedt | Connie Travers | Ralph Trim | Judith Vanwormer | Patricia Vrable | Gerald Wicke | Sharon Wiltsie | Richard Zuzula

Seventh Grade

In the picture on the right, we see Mr. Gillion giving instructions in basketball. This is one class where there is no question about class interest--whether they practice out-of-doors or in-doors, they do their best and enjoy it. They have practice in the gym only one hour a week. They play other teams from this surrounding area and have intramural games.

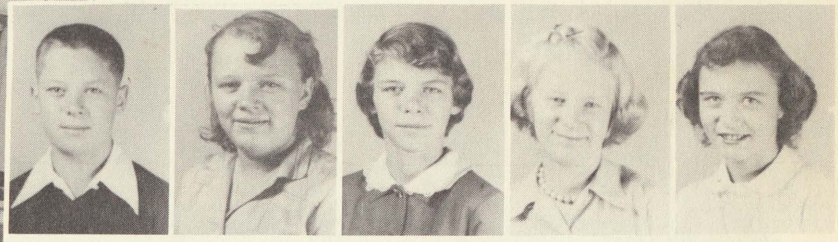
We, also, like to mention that the girls have gym practice once a week.





At the left Seventh-grade girls learn about the countries of the world as they are today. Their teacher, Doretha Tiedt, helps them find places and pronounce difficult names.

When they study this way each gets the benefit of one another's learning and the teacher's help.



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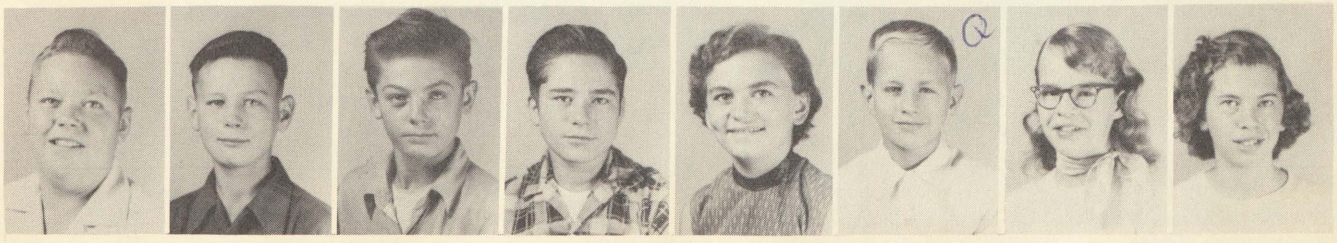

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Joan Fowler | Dana Lee Friesorger | Peter Garno | Dianne Gauze | Larry Golden | Dorothy Goodwill | James Gower | Joan Hagen

Russell Hahn | Frances Hammond | Kirby Hare | Ruth Hare | Lawrence Howell | Charles Hulien | Kay Hunn | Lorna Hunt

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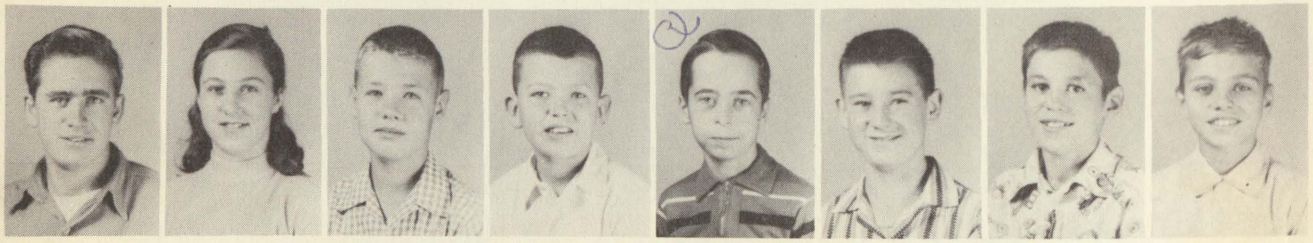

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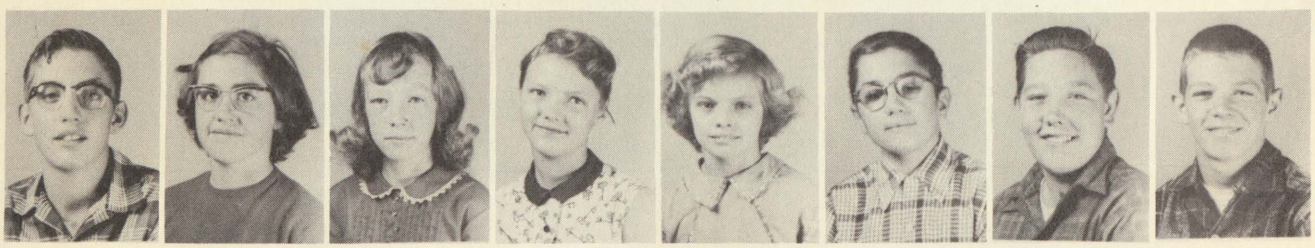

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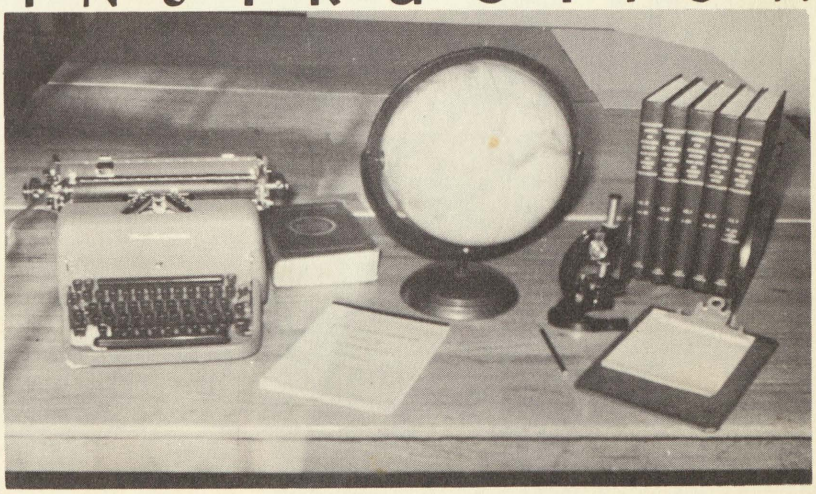


Drivers Education

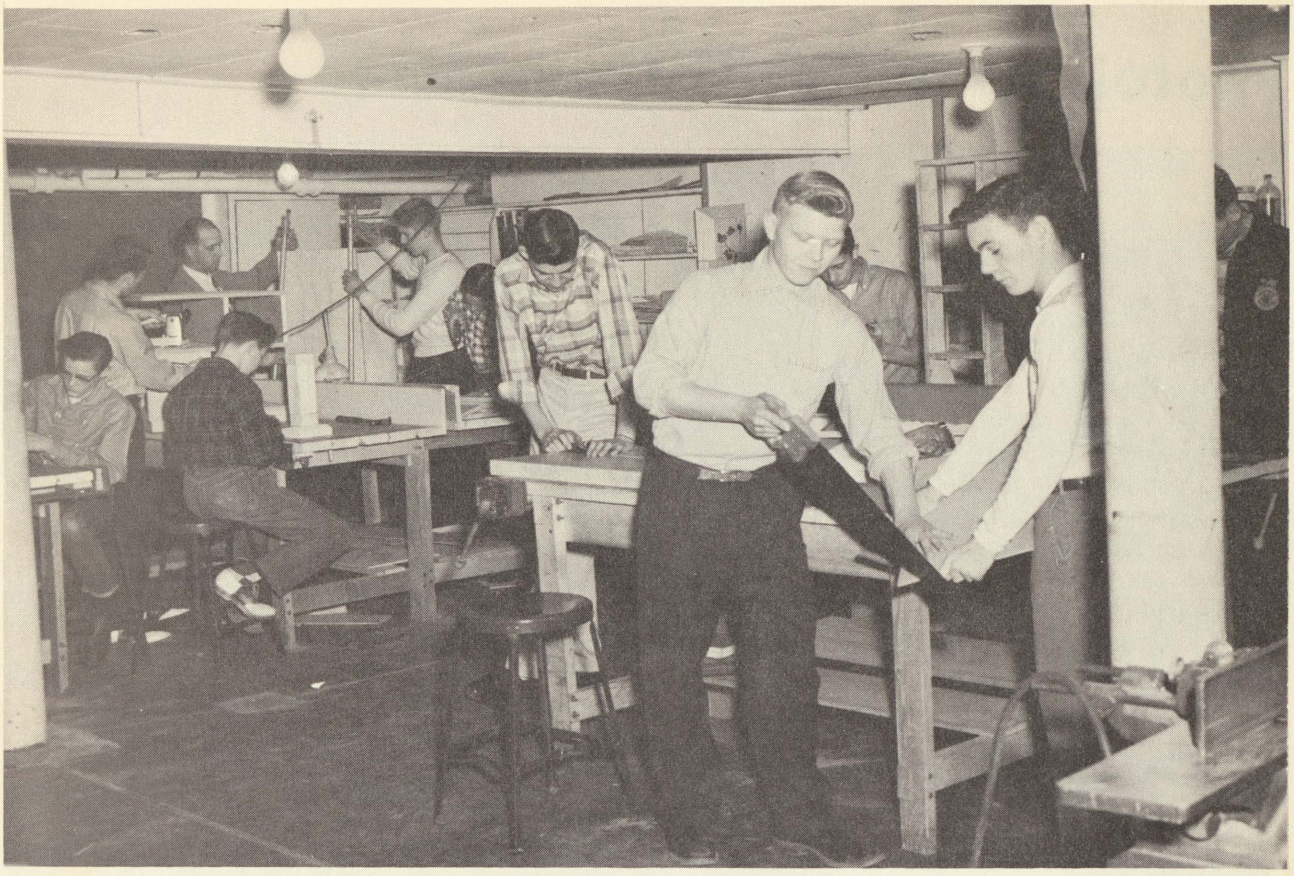
Here we look on as instructor Glenn Johnson watches closely the practicing of parallel parking. Also watching is Glenn Fulton and Tom Siazik while Dennis Pitkowicz takes his turn at the wheel. In drivers training they learn highway and city driving rules and also different parts of the car.

Every year the school acquires a new car for the safety of the children. The car is equipped with dual controls which come in handy once in a while.

First Aid

Senior and Junior girls have gathered in the Science Lab. to view a picture of cancer detection. Health Nurse Frieda Maas will explain about the film and answer questions; bu before time for the film, some of the Senior girls are asking Mrs. Maas about the coming first-aid course put on by the Red Cross.

This is the first time a first-aid course has been offered fered to Seniors in our school and it promises to be enthusiastically received. The course is for twenty clock hours and over a period of ten weeks.



Wood Shop

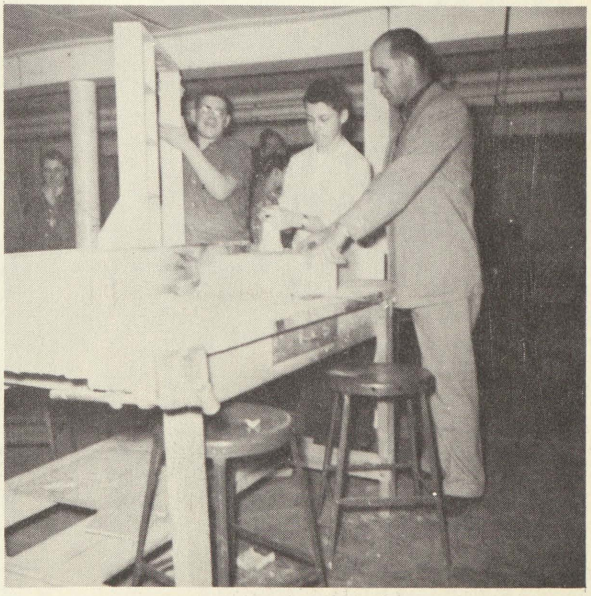
In the back at left, Instructor, Roy Chamberlain , is helping Vic Herbers apply clamps to the night stand Vic is making.

Near them to the left, LeRoy Mendyk is sanding the bookcase which he has almost ready for the wood stain, the varnish, and the shellac.

Larry Gower, extreme left, is busy drawing plans for a shadow box. Seated next to Larry, Duane Archabault, is busy completing his table lamp.

Bending over a work table, Paul Stevens is sanding a beautifully grained board which will be the top of his coffee table.

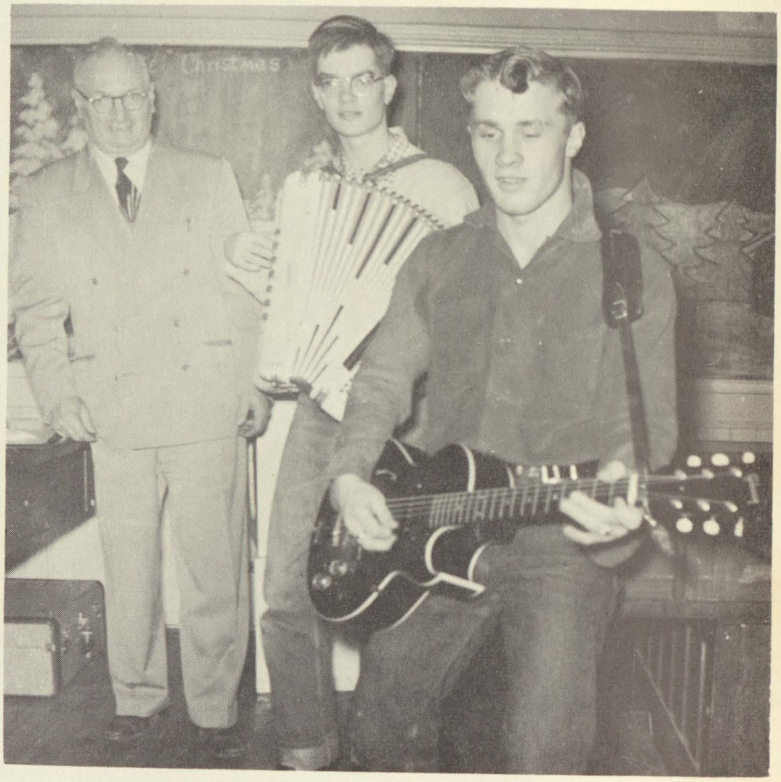
In the foreground, Martin Hornick and Al Bixby are squaring the end of a board to be used in making a showcase.



Mr. Chamberlain is helping John Dupree clamp his bookshelf together. Buddy Kapusto, standing next to them, has his gun rack nearly finished. At the extreme left, Jim McSweyn is sanding a coffee table.

Photography

We learned about Photography on January 7 when we put in a full day with Powell Studio's Photographer. He didn't take the picture of Mr. Ward, Duane Simons, and Robert DeShone as they entertained their classes. There are a number of things wrong with this picture--one, the reflection on Duane's glasses. We found it very difficult to get good pictures; but at the end of the day with the photographer, he very quickly took this picture of our group to show us how easy it was to take a perfect picture of a group.

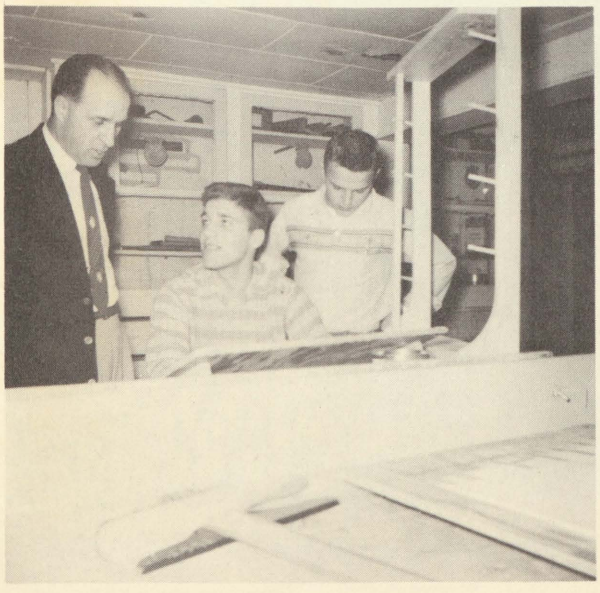


LEFT TO RIGHT, Paul Stevens, Sharon Pirochta, Mary Ann Gorman, Rita Krzciok, Janet Greenman, Marilyn Bellenbaum, Judy Brockitt, Ronald Siazik, Leroy Mendyk.

Mechanical Drawing

ABOVE: Mechanical drawing is one of the most interesting subjects taught in high school especially for those who wish to build things for themselves or continue in the field in college.

ABOVE: Instructor Roy Chamberlain is explaining blue print making and reading to Paul Fath, Jerry Stanuszek, Wayne Dupree, and Tom Surowka, and they're not missing a word.

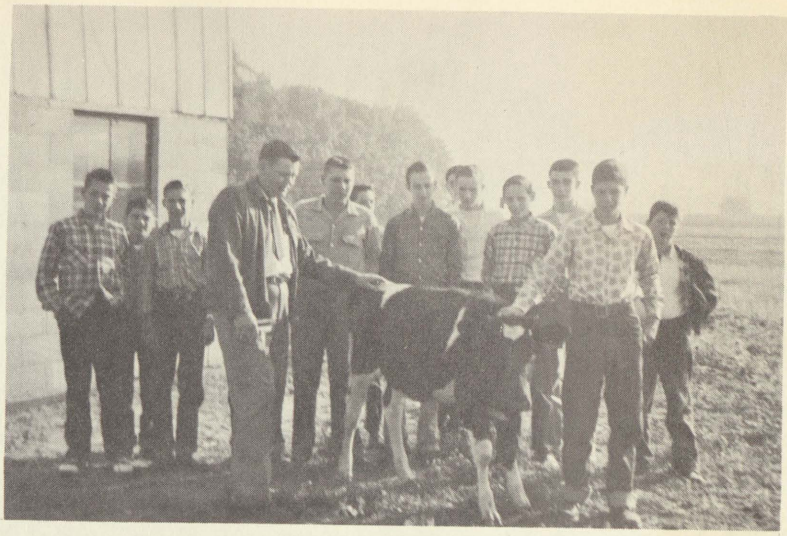


AT THE LEFT: The boys are doing complete detailed drawings. They have made blue prints for the amplifier for phonographs and basketball back-boards for the school playground. Even basements and full houses have been planned.

Agriculture

Part of the study in vocational Agriculture is testing of materials and farm products. In the above picture you see a group of boys, who are enrolled in vocational agriculture. They are watching a demonstration of soil testing by their instructor, Carl Nelson. In addition to soil study the boys also learn about milk and seeds.

The study that is done in class in vocational Agriculture is directly related to the farm experience that the boys are getting from their farming program at home. The work done in class, in shop and on the farm will help these boys become established as farmers, further their education by short courses toward a degree in college or in related occupations such as that in farm elevators, dairies, and meat packing plants.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Duane Archambault, Ben Bell, Gerald Spannegal, Mr. Nelson, Norman Anaman, Michael Knowles, Richard Tyler, Charles Arrigoni, Richard Foreman, Steve Gusinski, Jerry Hare, Don Miller, Frank Poma. The picture was taken by Duane Sweatland with the F.F.A. camera.

In the picture you see the Agriculture I class on a field trip to the farm of Don Miller to see his projects. In addition to the heifer that is being looked at he has a gilt pig from the F.F.A. pig chain.

LEFT TO RIGHT: Dennis Pitkowicz, Ronnie Lake, John Wisniewski, Gilbert Bell, Jack Flory, Marion Nowosatko, Jim DeGuise, Harold Keeven, Fred Spaeth, Rudy Scherzer, and Wayne Reynolds.

Future Homemakers

On the left, are Bernice Smith, Mary Ellen Minick, and Mary Lee Dawton. Bernice and Mary Ellen enjoy neglecting their lesson on table setting to have their picture taken, but Mary Lee seems not able to make up her mind whether or not stopping her work for a picture is just the correct thing.

Around the sewing machine, center back, are Miss Taylor; Judy Sanderson; and with her back to the camera, Linda Rhode. Linda is putting edging on a towel under Miss Taylor's instruction, the towel will later be used as a sewing machine spread. Judy is trying to see how it is done.

On the right are Karen Remainder and Venus Thomas. Karen is using the homemaking doll to learn about child bathing, dressing and general care. Venus, evidently, expects to be a lawyer, a visiting nurse, or a school teacher for she seems to be interested only in overseeing the job.

F.H.A.

OFFICERS STANDING, Evonna Minkinna, Pianist; Ruth Taylor, Instructor; Judy Koester, Vice President; SEATED, Loretta Helfrecht, Reporter; Nancy Loachridge, Secretary; Geraldine Miller, President; Sue Cornford, Treasurer.

Other officers not present when the picture was taken: Sandra Turner, Song Leader; Mary Arrigoni, Parliamentarian; Sharon McSweyn, Historian.

Newspaper Staff

At the right; Editor Lechian Lade, confers with exchange editor Joan Zachar and circulation manager Sharon Petoskey about ideas expressed in the School Press Review on ways of increasing the circulation and new features that might appear to the readers of the Bulldogs Bark; also, should there be more news items on individual students and faculty members?

The Staff of the Bulldog's Bark for the school year 1956-1957 is to be congratulated upon getting out the paper for every month of the school year--the first time it has been done in the history of the school.

Betty Rexius, outstanding feature writer for the Bulldogs Bark, reads her last article before turning it into the editor for the next issue. Betty Howell seems to have in mind something other than her usual typing. Joan Zacher confers with Carole Trim regarding exchange articles. Editor Lechian Lade looks over Judy Brockitt's suggestion for sports coverage. Janet Greenman is as usual busy--she'll agree that a copy editor leads a strenuous life.

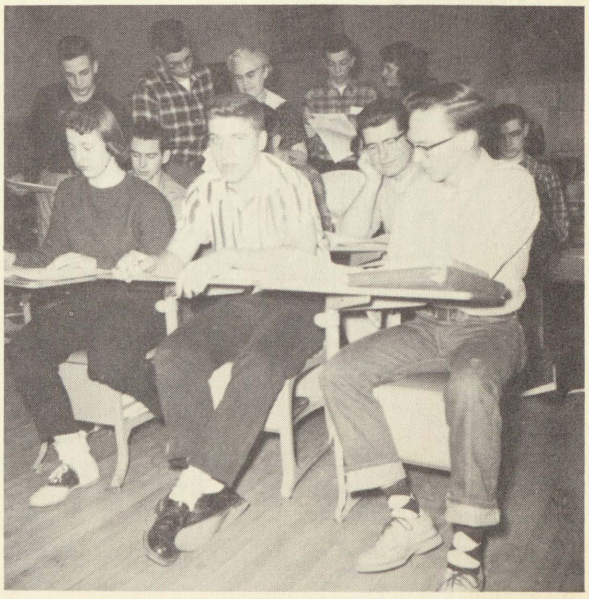
Newspaper Reporters

News editor, Sharon Pirochta, discussed with Margaret Hammond her Junior class items. The items don't seem to be too satisfactory. The question is--write them over or use a blue pencil?

Center back: Lorraine Polash and Marilyn Krzciok compare notes on their items. Next to them, Gerald Stanuszek, Senior class reporter in-name-only, views the whole affair with a calm poise to which he is quite unaccustomed.

At the extreme right: Dennis McCullough and George Murphy are watching while Joyce Chapman and Lorna Hunt read their own and the boys reports before giving them to Sharon.

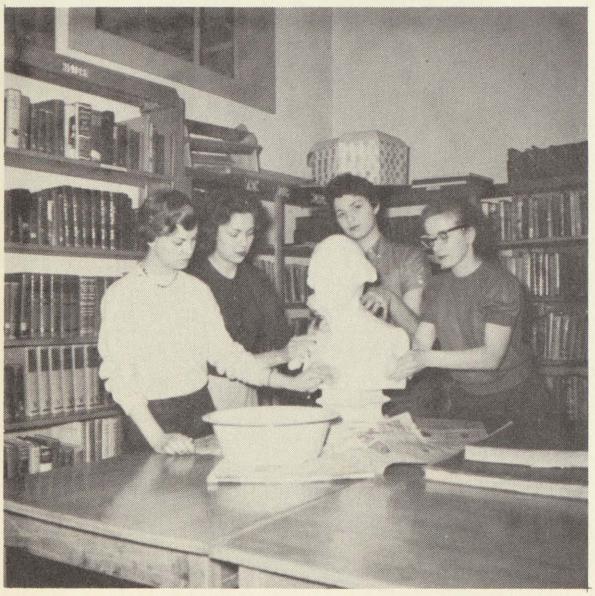
For the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth grades, there are no regular reporter. News items are discussed by the teacher and students and the one student is appointed to write them up for the paper.



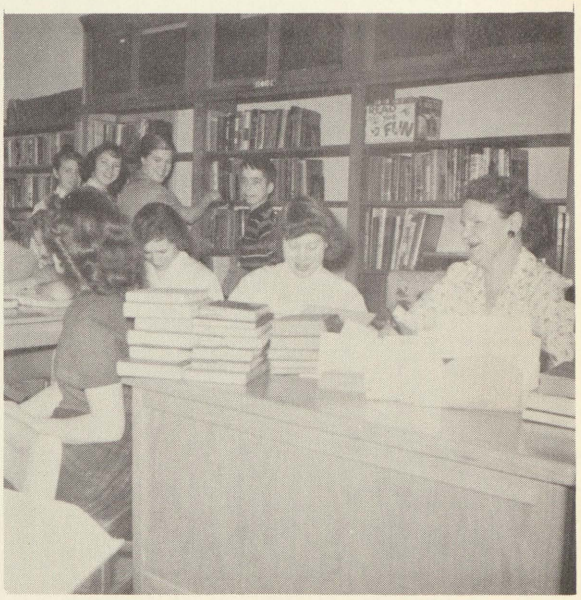
FOLDING THE SCHOOLPAPER Mrs. Thurston's class takes time out supposidely to fold the School newspaper, but they seem to be reading and commenting on it rather than folding--in fact some are so intensly reading that even the flash of this camera did not make them look up. Even Mrs. Thurston in the back row seems to be reading over someones shoulder.

Library

The Seniors really get down to work for they must all write the First Semester Exam; then, if they have a B-Average, no more cramming! For assistant, Betty Howell, and librarian, Mrs. Sikkema, this is no place for relaxation.



George Washington has long presided over our Library shelves and the girls, Sharon, Rita, Judy, and Peggy have decided that he is entitled to a free shampoo and facial before graduation festivities begin.



The New high school will have a library work room, but now books pile up on the librarian's desk---some to be repaired, others to have the cards placed in them and returned to the shelves.

RECREATION

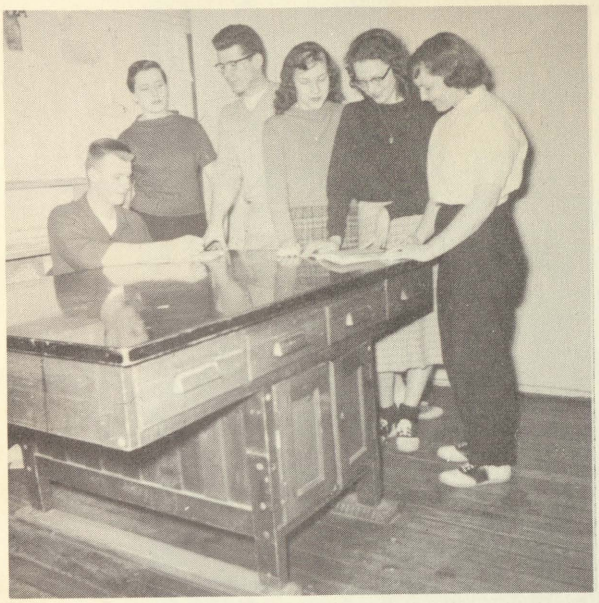
Seniors' Junior J-Hop

Mary Anne looks rather critically at her reflection as she tries the affect of her new formal of beige net over satin. But Rita and Marilyn are certainly pleased with the promised appearance of their J-Hop Queen.

The Juniors of '56 were so busy planning and decorating the Gym. that May 4, the date of their J-Hop, crept upon them before they realized it.

Mary Anne's gown seems also to be one of her last minute preparations-- arriving just in time for the big event.

Gerald Stanuszek and Mary Anne Gorman were electéd King and Queen of the J-Hop. With their court, LeRoy Mendyk, Paul Stevens, John Tyler, Loretta Helfrecht, Marilyn Bellenbaum and Peggy Marko, they reigned over the dance with poise and regal splendor.



Junior J-Hop

This committee, Margaret Hammond, Eleanor Phelps, Butch Minkina, Nancy Loachridge, John McIntyre, Dwight Thurston and Kay Hare was responsible for the success for the most important event of the Junior Year--the J-Hop.

Junior-Senior Banquet

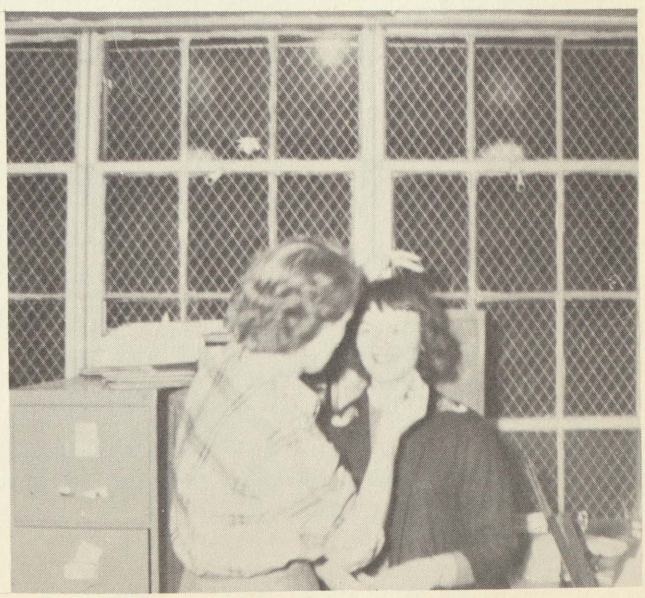
At the left, Larry Moeller, Sue Cornford, John McIntyre, Kay Hare, Judy Brockett, and Sandra Maher. These committee members were responsible for the success of the Junior-Senior Banquet in the gym on May 16th.

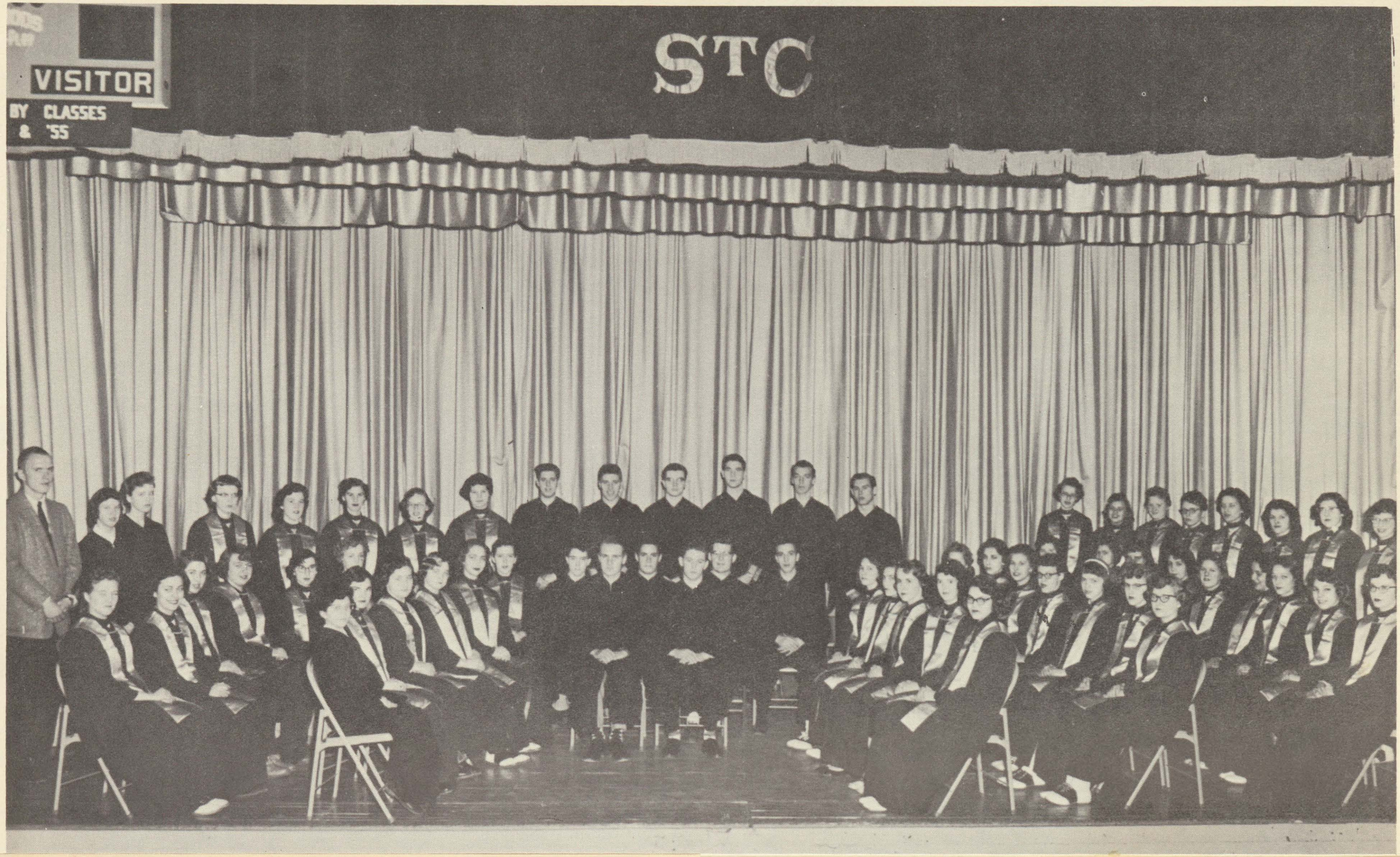
ABOVE: The Judge, played by Eugene Minkina, had trouble keeping order during the trial. The Cop, Gilbert Nanney, believes the Private Eye, Tom Surowka, who tells the judge he saw Karen Andre push Faukner off the roof.

RIGHT: Gail Kessler is being made up to play the part of a very sophisticated efficient finger-print expert, who proved that the note found in Faukner's apartment could have been written by his secretary.

Junior Play

"The Night of January 16", a thrilling murder mystery-- Did Bjorn Faulkner, the Swedish financial wizard with kingdoms and nations in his hands, hurl himself from the luxurious penthouse or was he pushed by his cold, calculating, indifferent secretary?





Mixed Chorus

Members of the Chorus made up the Carolers who sang from house to house at Christmas time for people who were shut-in or ill.

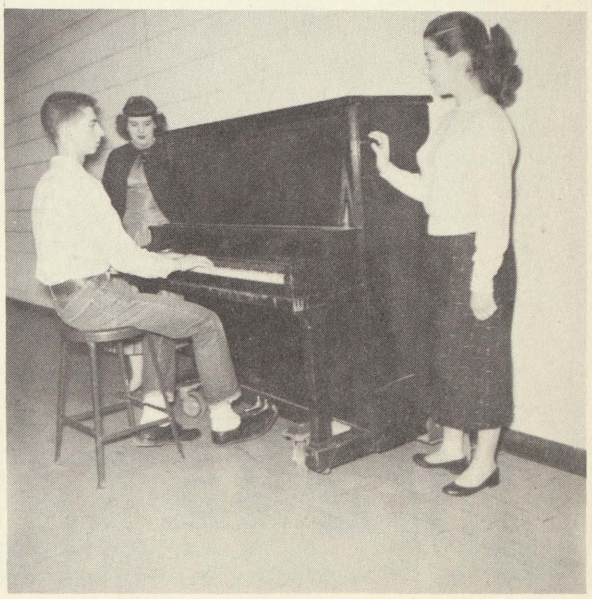
For special occasions, girls from the Chorus sang as a sextet and boys as a Barbershop Quartet.

Our mixed chorus is a special source of pride and enjoyment for the school this year—even the faculty members laud it. The Chorus gave the Christmas story in song at Christmas time, program for the School and Community Club in November, and will take part with Ovid, Lainsburg, Perry, Elsie, and Fulton Township Schools in the May Music Festival.

Junior Band

ROW 1: Stanley Lisik, Dennis Palmer, Elaine Kapusto, Francis Hammond, Sandra Owens, Jackie Tiedt, Lorna Hunt, Jim Galm, Larry Albers, Joan Hagen, John Wilson, Mary Lee Murphy, Marion Carr, Dianne Gauz. ROW 2: Jim Turner, Allen Lytle, Duane Milano, Ernie Erskine, Joanne Poma, Terry Browne, Harold Goldynia, Jackie Bruno, Suzanne Daley, Stanley Nowosatko, Vivian Tessin, Robert Griffiths, Randy Lonsway, Roger lake, Philip Lisik, Chuck Hulien. ROW 3: Robert O'Keeth, Wanda Roe, Sandy Friede, Danny Thurston, Carol Remainder, Norman Hase, Sharon Bennet, Russell Hahn, Duane Fisher, David Kushion, Floyd Gary, Jackie Dioron, Gary Mendyk, Peter Garno, Jill McKeage.

The dance band grew out of a need for music to dance by. It was a volunteer project by some of the members from the Junior and Senior bands and Director, Dan McLaughlin.



Joe Dibley at the piano added not a little to the dance band. Joe is one of those fellows who does the thing he ought to do when he ought to do it.

Senior Band

LEFT TO RIGHT: Virginia Kushion, Edna Gary, Kenneth Schroeder, Director; Dan McLaughlin, Mary Arrigoni, Virginia Ellis, Sue Gould, Carol Latsch, Jerrilyn Tribfelner, Evonna Minkina, Linda Ruf, Lee Barcholtz, Sally Kushion, Richard Delinsky, Curtis Vietti, John Dupree, Danny Mayer, Bill Pistono, Doug Schroeder, Irene Gary, Dennis McCullough, Tom Cadwell, Harry Bruno, Elizabeth Arrigoni and Bill Dupree.

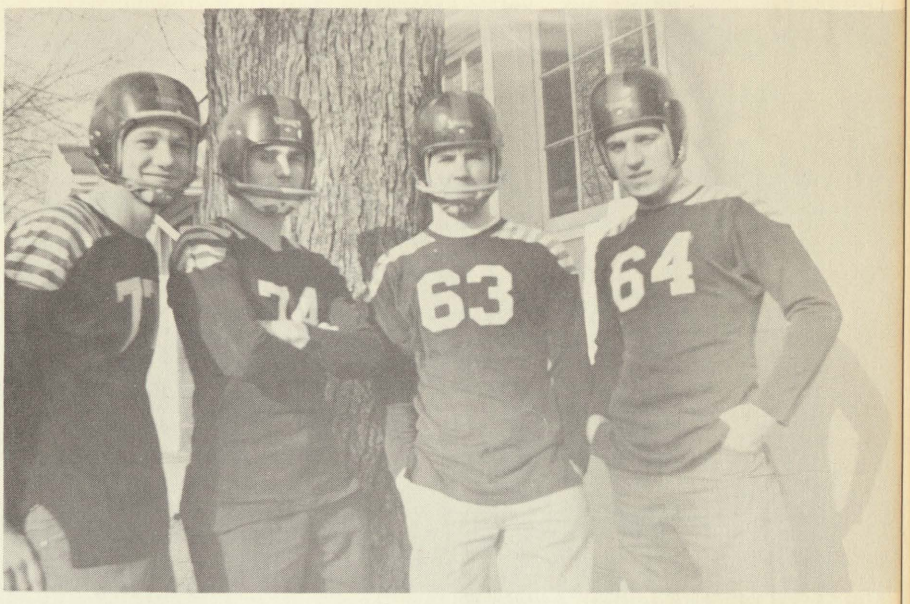
The Senior Band began the school year by playing at the District Michigan Education Association meeting in Saginaw. Later they played at the Saginaw Fair. They were an important part of the Football Games--especially the Homecoming Program. During the Christmas Season they participated in the Christmas programs. Praise was high for their part in the program of the Saginaw County M.E.A. meeting. Their last program was given for the School and Community Club on St. Valentine's Day. They will take part in the Spring Music Festival.

Football

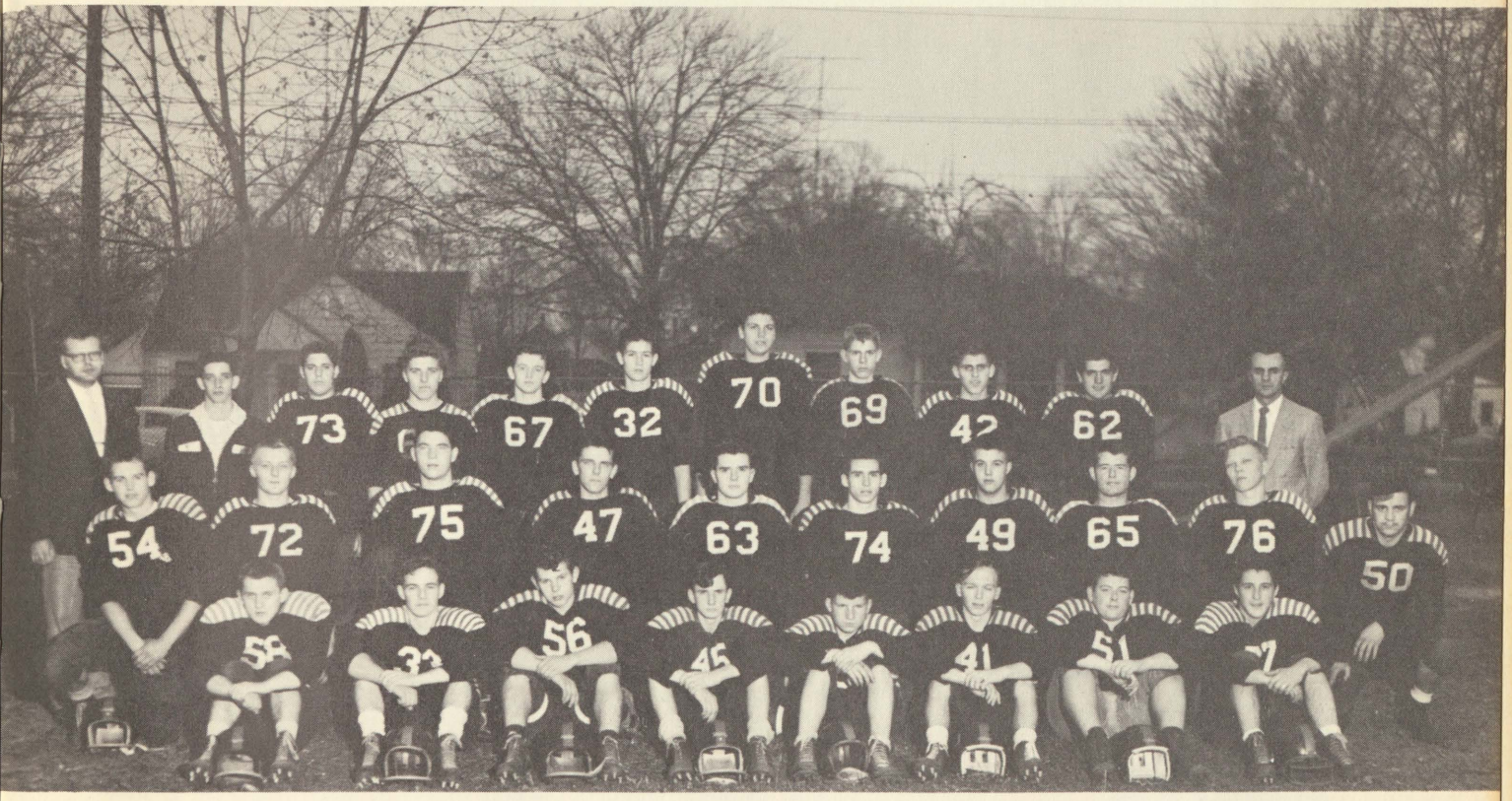
Coach Petzko doesn't really laud the Bulldogs. He said, "Football is a game where desire and skill, or experience, are two of the chief assets. The 1956 squad had some desire but lack the necessary experience to give a good account of itself. A record of 2 wins and 6 defeats could hardly be called a successful season.

But wait until next year! When most of these boys will have a full year of experience behind them and a football field on which to practice.

The Bulldogs did have a good cheering squad, and they had a place to practice. They valliently expressed their stand for the Bulldogs at every opportunity with their favorite cheer of "WE'RE FROM ST. CHARLES, COULDN'T BE PROUDER. IF YOU CAN'T HEAR US NOW, WE'LL YELL A LITTLE LOUDER."



Three St. Charles Bulldog football players, Jack, Gerald, and LeRoy, received honorable mention in the Saginaw News Class "C" all area grid team. Pictured above are end, Jack Wilson; guard Gerald Stanuszek; back, LeRoy Mendyk; and fullback, Wayne Dupree.



FRONT ROW: Richard Davis, Al Bixby, Kenny Mendyk, Tom McSweyn, Frank Hunt, Jim DeGuise, Stanley Kapusto, Bill Pistono. SECOND ROW: Jerry Mendyk, Tom Siazik, Gilbert Nanney, Eugene Minkina, Jerry Stanuszek, Leroy Mendyk, Dwight Thurston, John McIntyre, Martin Hornick, Jack Flory. THIRD ROW: Coach Johnson, Joe Rusz, John Rolando, Wayne Dupree, Dave Rusz, Frank Gould, Ron Watson, Victor Herbers, Raymond Mendyk, Charles Arrigoni, Coach Petzko.

Football Queen

Our Football Queen this year was the pretty and very popular Loretta Helfrecht. On her court was chosen, left to right: Linda Ruf, Marilyn Krzciuk, Margaret Hammond, and Sharon McSweyn. Linda representing the Sophomores; Marilyn, the Freshmen; Margaret, the Juniors; and Sharon, the Senior class.

The Queen and her court were preceded onto the Hemlock field by the St. Charles band and our fast stepping Drum Major, Doug Shroeder. The court was accepted by the cheering tribe of fans. After the crown was placed on her head by co-captains of the football team Gerald Stanuszek and Leroy Mendyk, the convertibles circled the field and she reigned over the game for the second half.

At the Homecoming dance in the St. Charles gym which followed the game the Queen and her court continued their reign until the music stopped at 1:00 A.M.

Student Manager

Whatever the score maybe, Fred May, the genial student-manager, never looses his sense of humor nor his pride.

If his team looses he remembers "It isn't whether you win or loose, but how did you play the game?" that counts.

FRONT ROW: Leroy Mendyk, John Rolando, John McIntyre, Dwight Thurston, Jerry Stanuszek, Gilbert Nanney, Martin Hornick. SECOND ROW: Gerry Mendyk, Jack Flory, Richard Davis, Frank Gould.

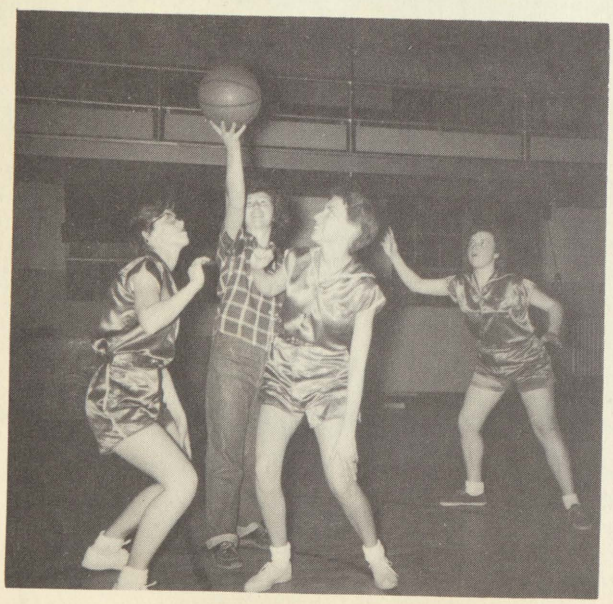
FRONT ROW: Tom Siazik, Ron Watson, Dave Rusz, Eugene Minkina, Charles Arrigoni, Victor Herbers, Bill Pistono. SECOND ROW: Jim DeGuise, Wayne Dupree, Al Bixby, Raymond Mendyk.

SCORES FOR THE SEASON:

St. C.-Montrose	13-7	St. C.-Merrill	6-20	St. C.-Breckenridge	0-32	St. C.-Fulton	12-20
St. C.-Millington	6-0	St. C.-Seminary	7-14	St. C.-Hemlock	0-32	St. C.-Chesaning	6-18

Girls' Basketball

LEFT TO RIGHT, ROW ONE: Peggy Marko, Eleanor Phelps, Roma Smith, Kay Hare, Virginia Ellis. ROW TWO: Mary Arrigoni, Janice Hahn, Mary Anne Gorman, Gwen Harkins, Janet Greenman, Marilyn Bellenbaum. ROW THREE: Joanne Thiele, Carole Latach, Karen Remainder, Coach Ruth Sogge, Kay Lake, Judy Koester, Kathleen Nowosatko, and Karen Lister.



LEFT, Here are some of the girls practicing the jump. Though they aren't too serious at the moment, their attitude will change at the game.

As the years pass, the girls have fewer and fewer games to play, due to the fact that many of the schools are dropping Girls' Basketball, and we are having a hard time getting a teacher to coach our girls. This year they had only three games.

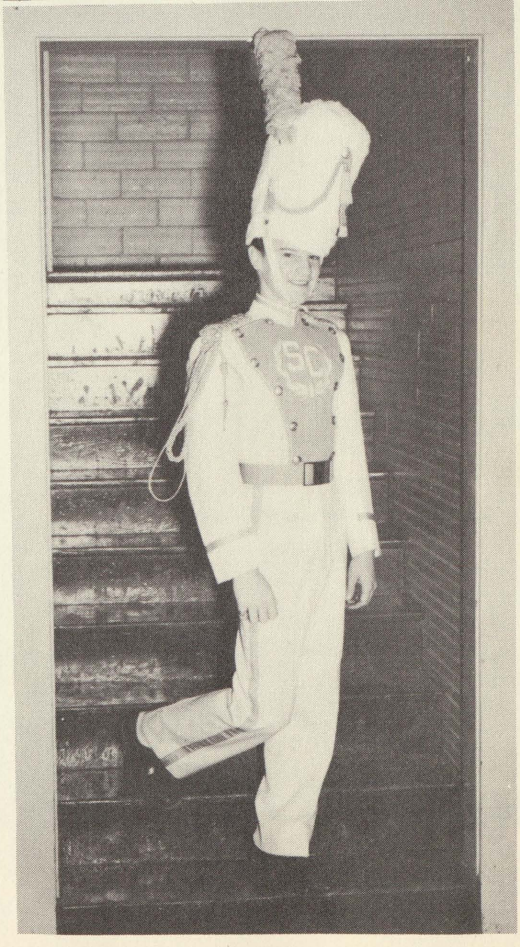
Their record is as follows:

St. Charles-Ashely 29-70
St. Charles-Corunna . . . 26-27
St. Charles-Corunna . . . 44-38

Junior Varsity Cheerleaders

Judy Mansfield, Judy Richardson, and Janet Tiedt, who are freshmen, were the three girls chosen at the first of the year to lead the cheers of the Jr. Varsity games. They met with Mr. McLaughlin once a week for practice. Being their first year of cheering, they did a very good job. One of their best yells was--Bulldogs.

Drum Major



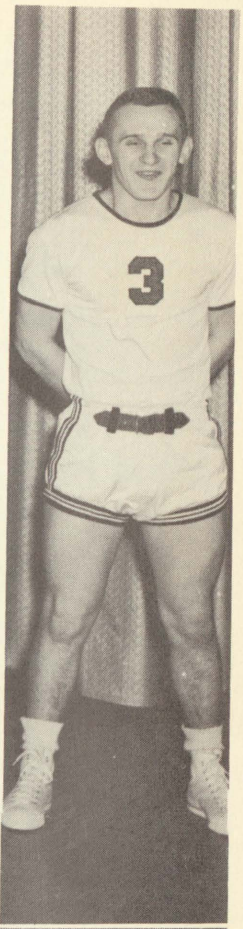
Doug Schroeder, a freshman this year, attended a music camp in Indiana, so as Head Major, he certainly did a fine job of leading the band on to the fields with his fast high stepping march.

Everyone beamed as the band was led onto the field by Doug, for ours is one of the very few schools that has a Drum Major, and his uniform really stands out on the field.

Doug is the first Major we have had at St. Charles Union High--other years we have had Majorettes.

Junior Varsity Basketball

Captain Richard Davis, left was a Varsity player until the last semester when he joined the Junior Varsity where he plays either right or left guard.



THE RECORD

St. Charles-Elsie 22-45	St. Charles-Merrill 31-40
St. Charles-Merrill 43-47	St. Charles-Frankenmuth 23-51
St. Charles-Breckenridge 25-35	St. Charles-Breckenridge 46-33
St. Charles-Fulton 36-57	St. Charles-Fulton 29-40
St. Charles-Hemlock 29-38	St. Charles-Montrose 20-52
St. Charles-Chesaning 28-32	St. Charles-Hemlock 55-68
St. Charles-Seminary 45-32	St. Charles-Seminary 30-62
	St. Charles-Elsie 24-41

LEFT TO RIGHT--Coach Petzko, Jerry Mendyk, Ray Mendyk, Vic Herbers, Ron Watson, Bill Polash, Gary Herbers, John Rolando, and Tom Surowka.

Varsity Basketball

Co-Captains, Gerald Stanuszek and Wayne Dupree talk over the season's games and scores. We listened in:

Wayne, "I think Coach Johnson is right about the boys not practicing enough; even though the coaches could not be there, the Gym was open and the boys could have gotten the practice they needed."

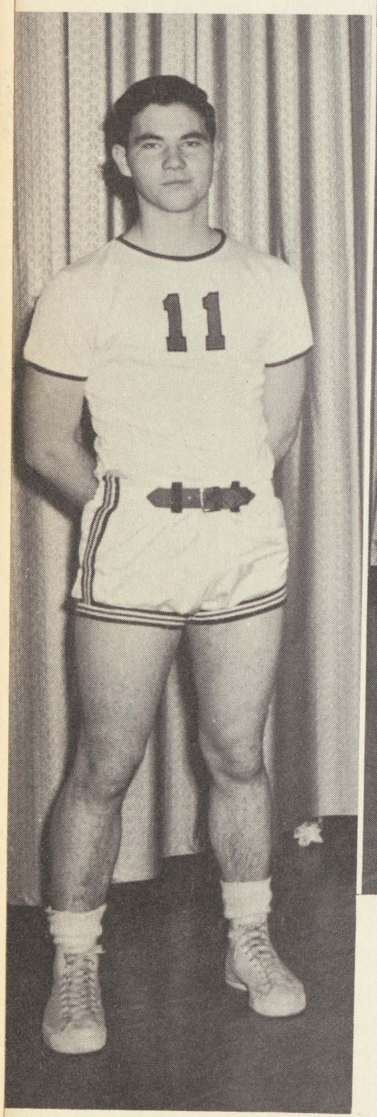
Jerry, "Oh, I don't think the whole trouble was practice; I think it takes actual experience in competition with other teams to make a winning team."

The year's Basketball season is being discussed by coaches, Johnson and Petzko. The basketball team often wonders just what the coaches think, well let's listen in.

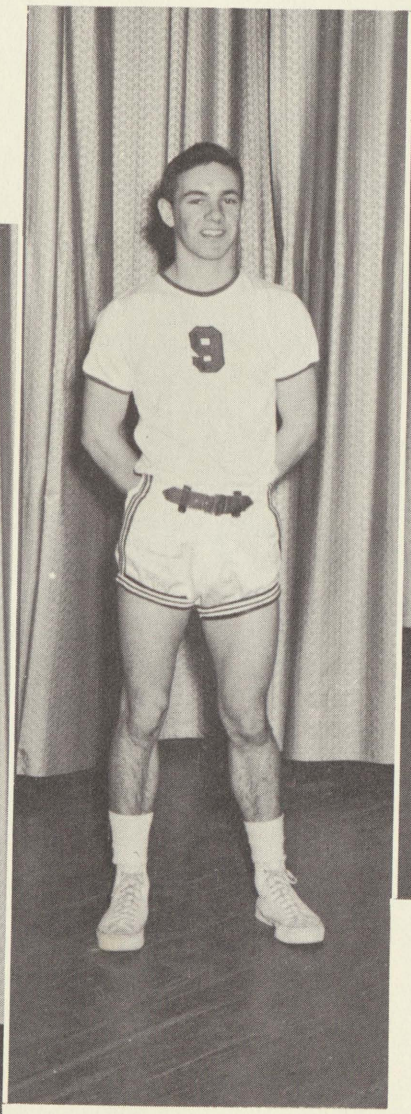
Petzko, "Too bad these kids didn't win more games this year. They certainly played hard enough to win every one."

Johnson, "I think the main reason for some of the scores was that they lacked all the training they could get. You could see that they all played with enthusiasm to win and they all played harder when the fans cheered a little more."

Petzko, "With their experience in basketball along with lots of practice, I think they will make a team with winning scores next season.



Gilbert Nanney
Forward



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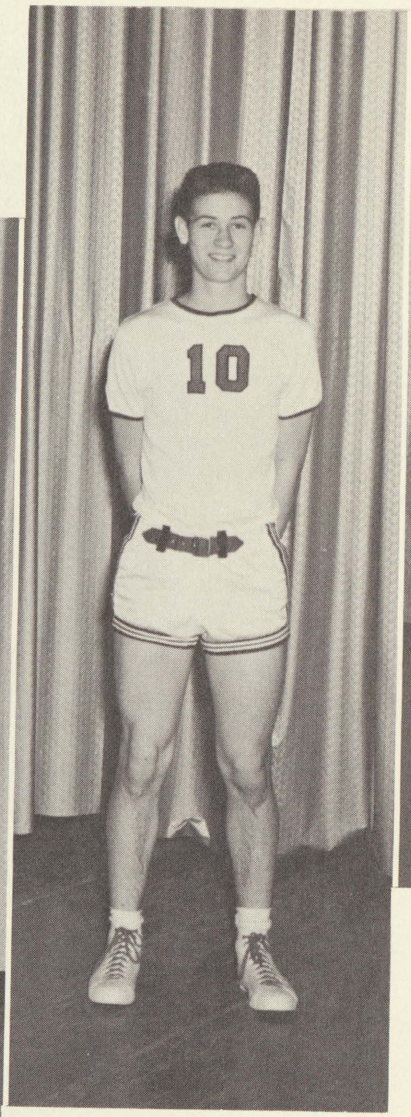
Guard



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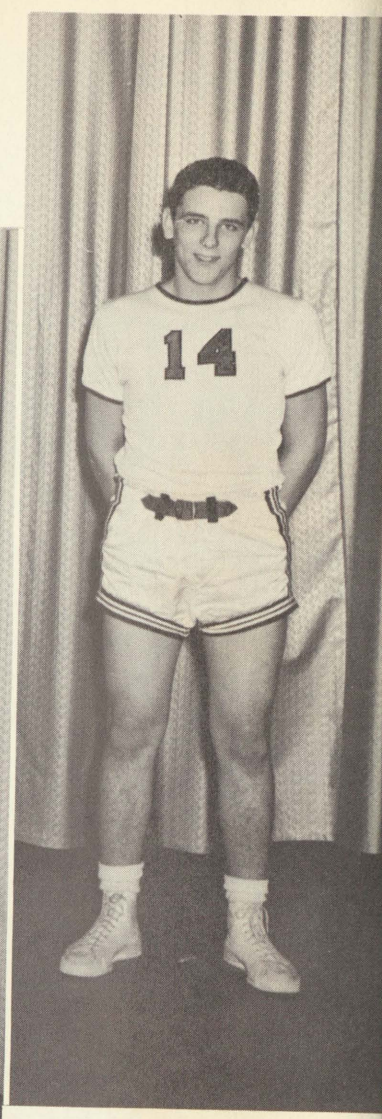
Center

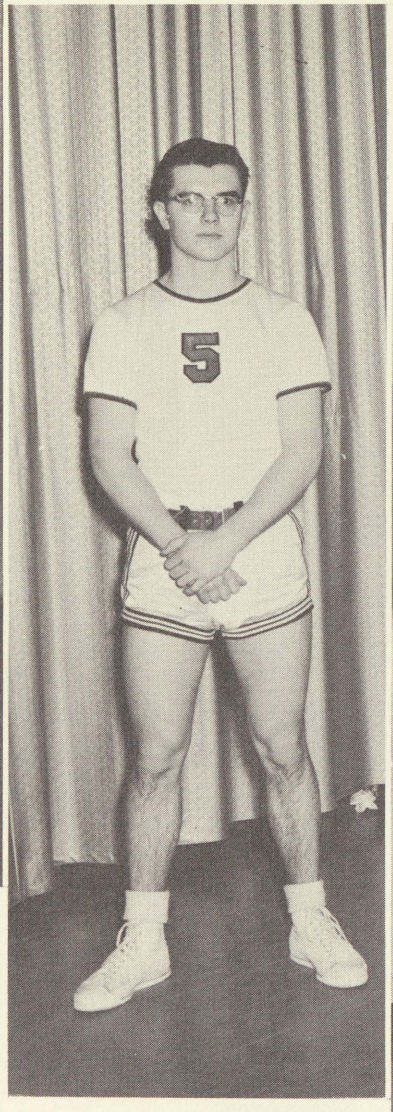


Eugene Minkina
Forward

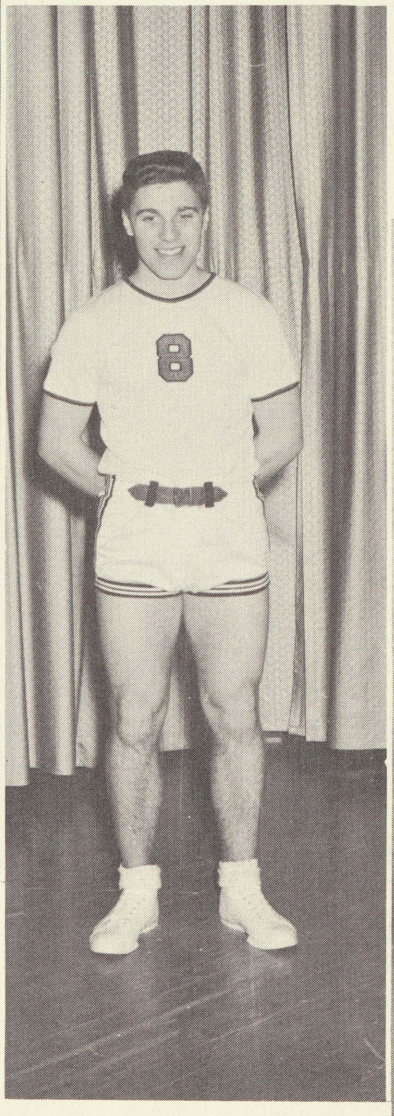
THE RECORD:

St. Charles-Elsie	44-46
St. Charles-Merrill	29-48
St. Charles-Breckenridge	41-65
St. Charles-Fulton	50-52
St. Charles-Hemlock	45-54
St. Charles-Chesaning	35-47
St. Charles-Seminary	57-66

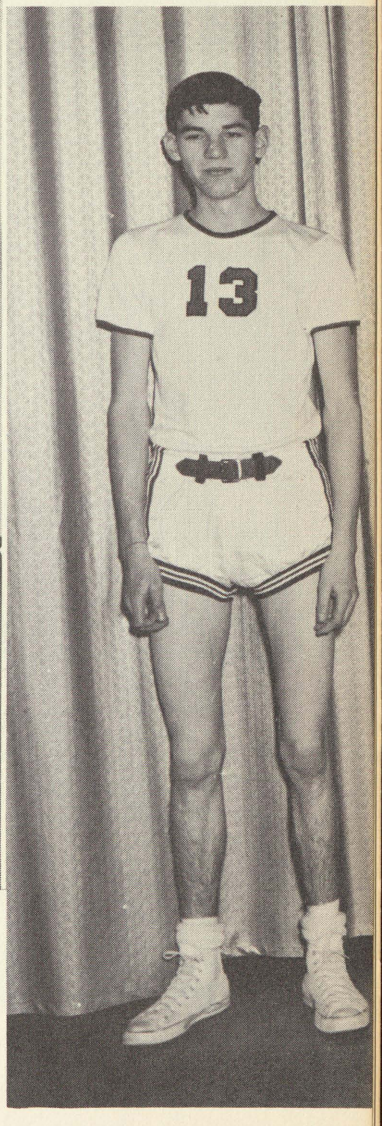
Larry Thurston
Forward



Jerry Stanuszek
Guard



Wayne Dupree
Forward



Paul Stevens
Center

St. Charles-Merrill	60-75
St. Charles-Frankenmuth	42-75
St. Charles-Breckenridge	48-55
St. Charles-Fulton	50-70
St. Charles-Hemlock	48-42
St. Charles-Seminary	45-79
St. Charles-Elsie	31-44
St. Charles-Chesaning	54-68

Varsity Cheerleaders

The varsity cheerleaders for this year are: Janice Hahn, Pat Zuzula, Karen Remainder, Virginia Ellis, and Nancy Loachridge. The girls worked hard leading the cheering sections at every game both home and away.

They also sponsored a dance April 26 for the special purpose of raising enough money to buy cheering skirts for next year. The dance went over better than what was expected and next year our girls will be wearing skirts instead of slacks.

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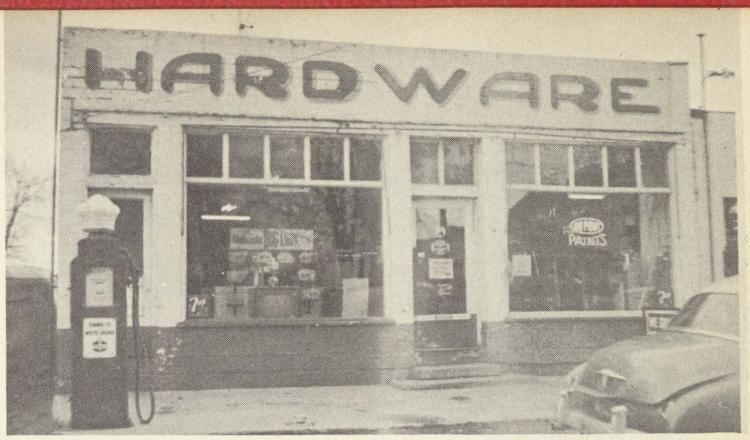

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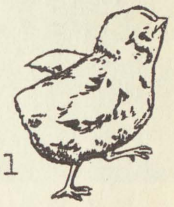

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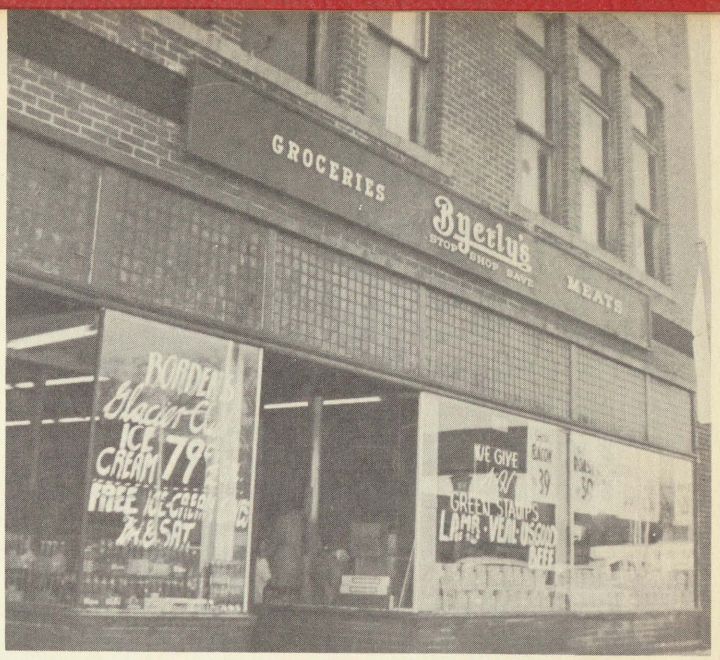

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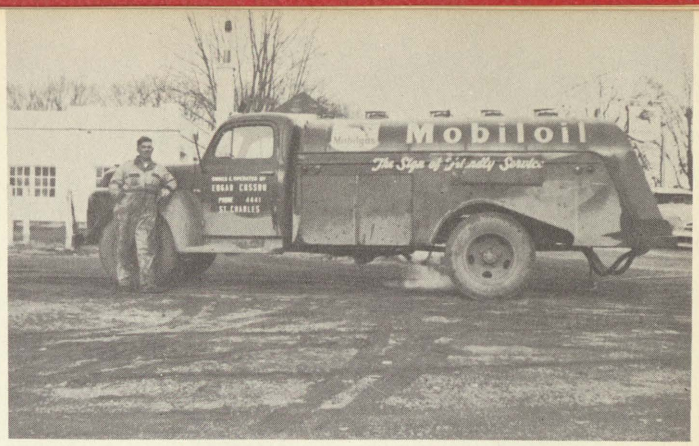

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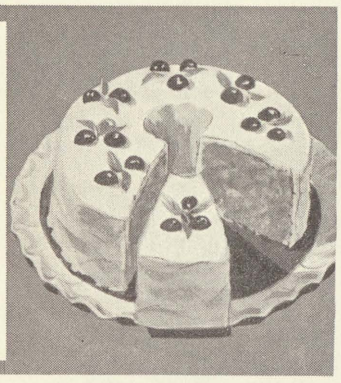

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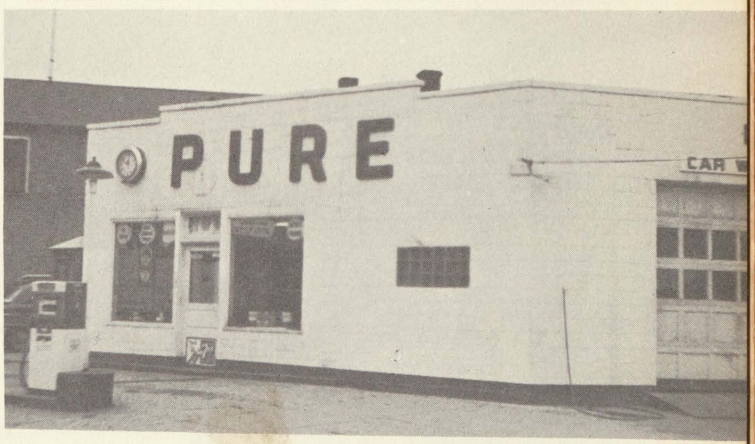

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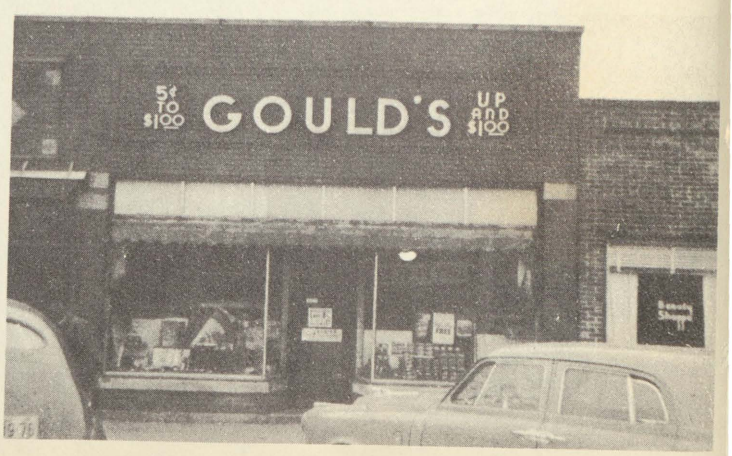

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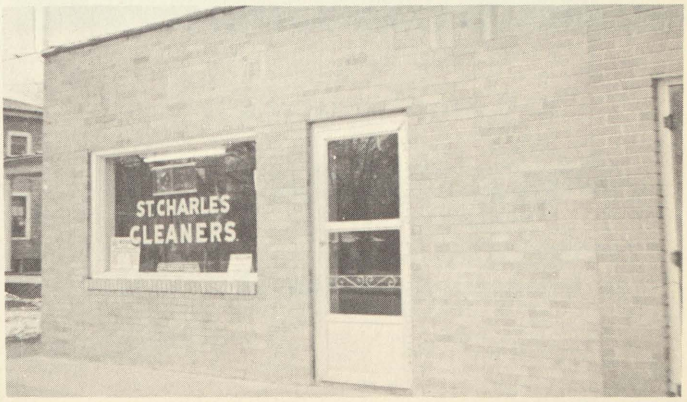

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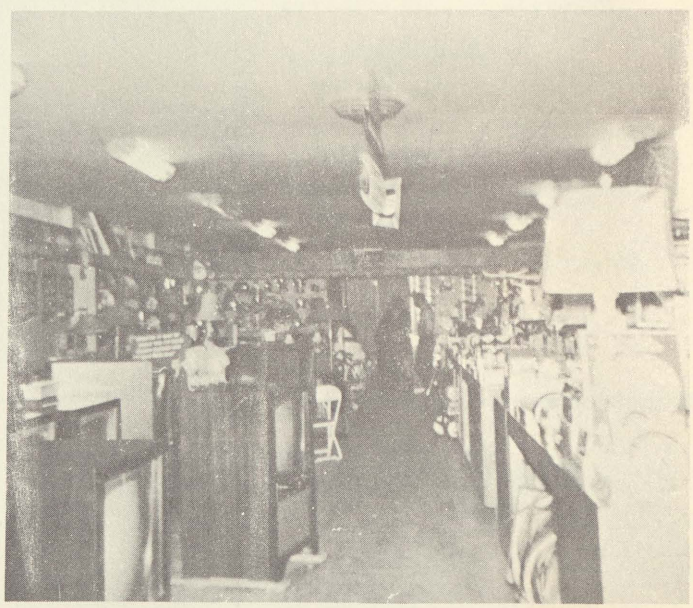

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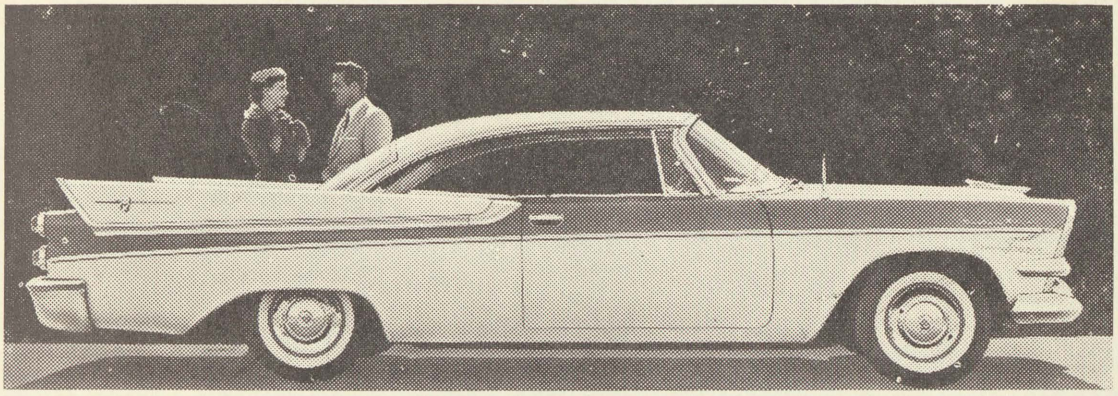

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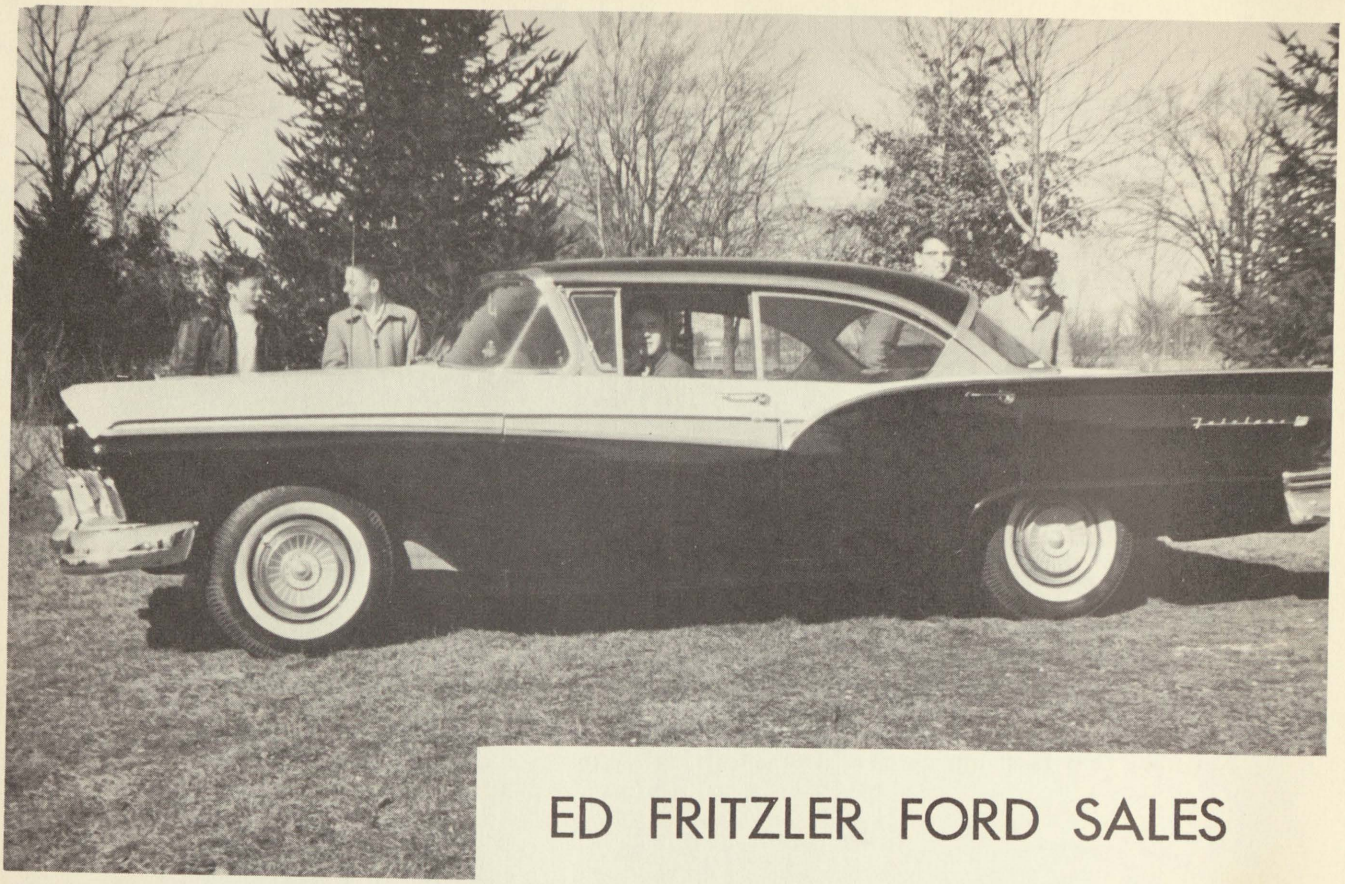

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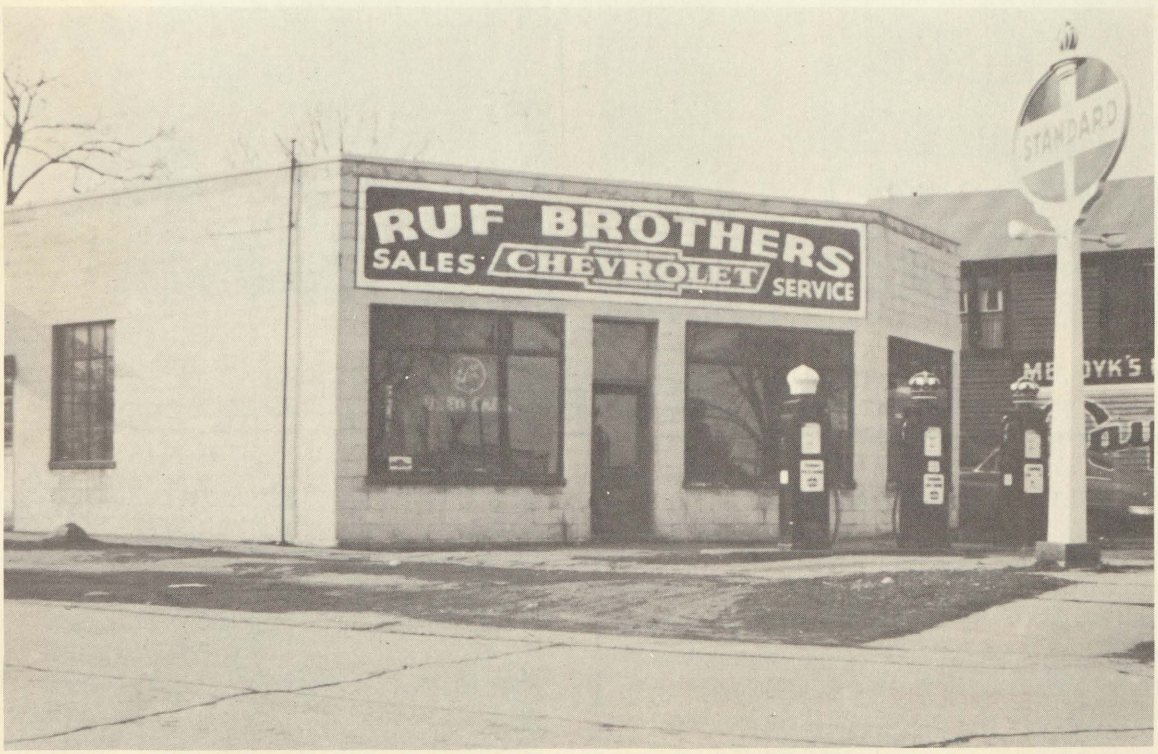

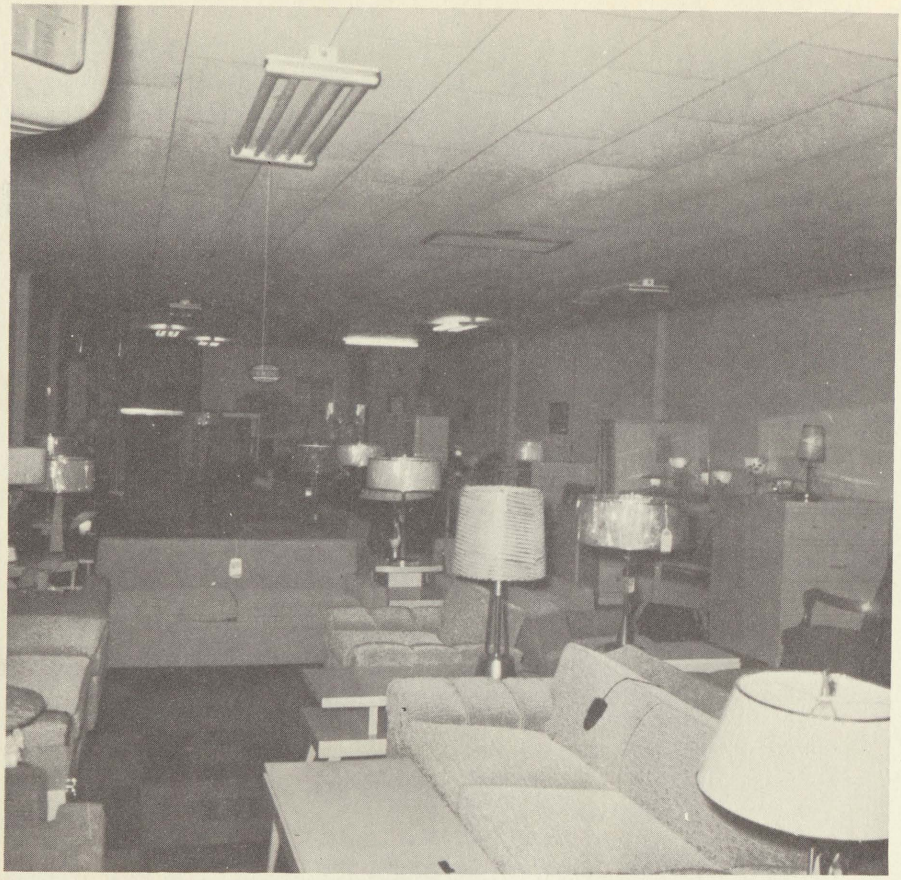

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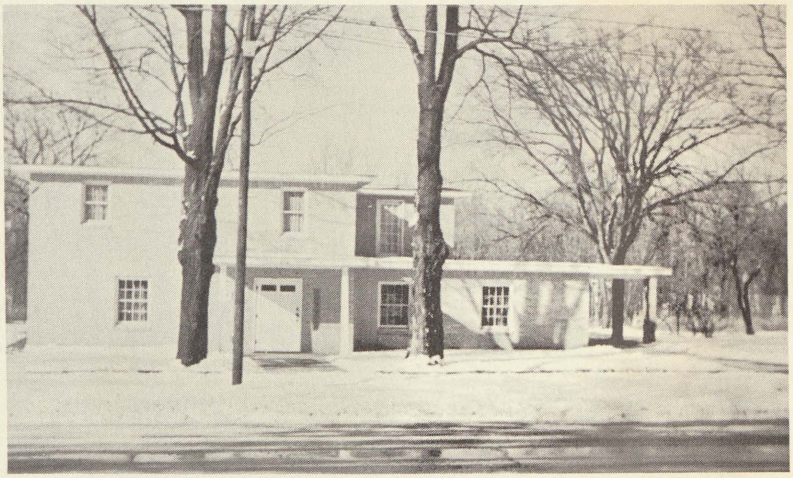

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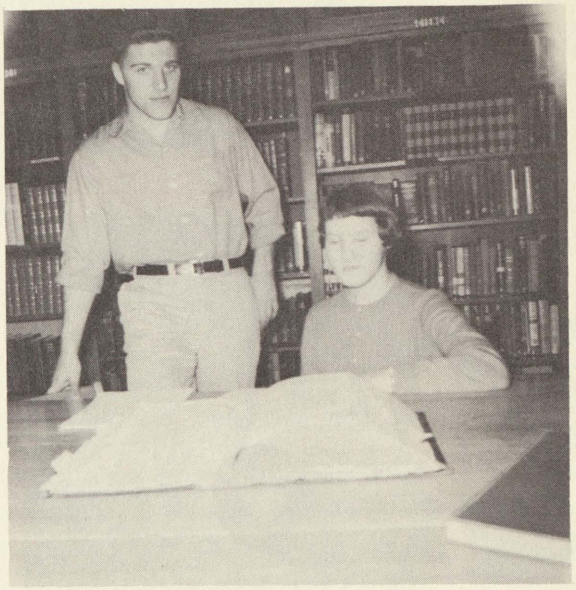
May 16, Junior-Senior Banquet

May 19-22, Senior Trip. Sunday morning May 19, we will leave in a school bus for Detroit where we begin our cruise on the S. S. South America the length of Lake Huron, through the Soo Locks into Lake Superior and return with a stop over at Mackinac Island. We will arrive in Detroit Wednesday where the School bus will meet us.

May 26, Baccalaureate.

LEFT, Carol Trim with her usual poise reads the class poem.



May 29, Graduation. Wayne Dupree and Marilyn Delinsky find writing the Valedictorian and Salutatorian speeches is not something one can toss off in a few minutes of spare time.

May 27, Class Night. Sandra Bowman and Virginia Ellis read the class will in which the Seniors leave to the Juniors for use in the coming year the things the Seniors feel they will no longer need such as smiles that win favor with teachers, skill in sports, jobs in the cafeteria and last but not least the ability to stay in Mr. Fuller's good graces.

Yearbook Staff

Marilyn and Mary Anne return to school with the final orders for advertising.

Rita observes the pains-taking work of Art Editor Judy who is assisted by Peggy.

At last the day arrives, March 18 for mailing to Edwards Brothers, the final finished pages!

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wish to express their thanks to those who helped them in their work on "The Union Of '57."

It is with pride and satisfaction that we present this story of our school year to our schoolmates and friends. We hope you enjoy it.

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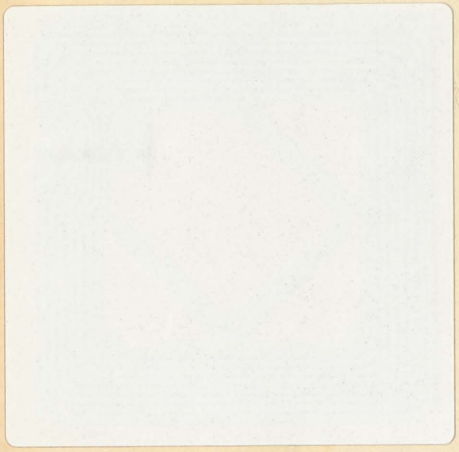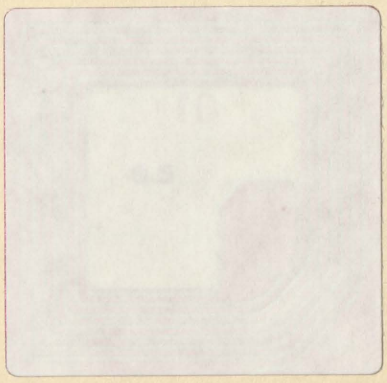
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